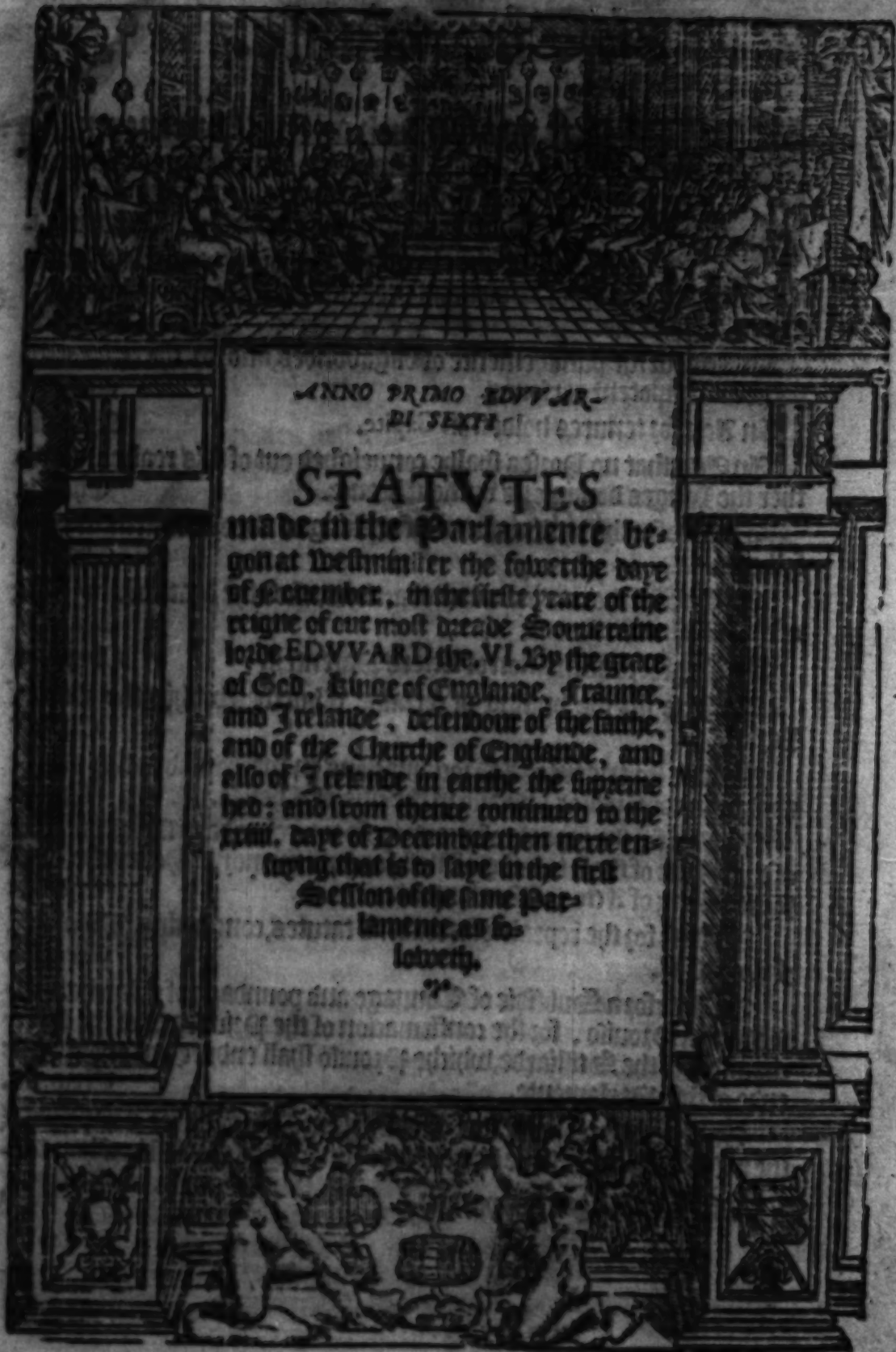


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gon at Westminter the folowthe daye  
of September, in the firste yere of the  
reigne of our most greade Soueraine  
lorde EDVVARDE the. VI. By the grace  
of God, Kinge of Englande, Fraunce,  
and Irelande, defendour of the faith,  
and of the Church of Englande, and  
also of Irelande in earth the supreme  
hed: and from thence continued to the  
xxiii. daye of Decembre then nexte en-  
suyng, that is to saye in the first  
Session of the same Par-  
liamente as fo-  
loweth.

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and bloude of Christe, commonly called the Sacrament of  
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The first Chapter.



HE Kinges moste excellent Maiestie mindinge the  
gouernance and order of his most louing subiectes  
to be in moste perfecte vniue and concord in al thin-  
ges and in especiall in the true faith and Religion  
of God and willing the same to be brought to passe  
with all clemencie and merie on his highnesse parte  
towards them, as his moste princelie serenitie and  
Maiestie hath alreadye declared by euident prouise

*Forma & sacramentum*  
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to thintent that his moste louinge subiectes prouoked by clemencie and  
goodnesse of their prince and kinge shall stand rather for loue then for  
fear to dooe their duties first to almighty God and then to his high-  
nesse & the common wealth nourishing concord and loue among them  
selues: yet considereth & perceiueth that in a multitude all bee not on that  
sorte that reason and the knowledge of their duties can moue them fro  
offence, but many which had neede haue some bridle of feare: & that the  
same be men moste contentious & arrogante for the moste parte, or elles  
moste blinde and ignorant: by the meanes of which sorte of men many  
thinges well and godly instituted, & to the edification of manye, bee per-  
uerted and abused, and turned to their owne and others great losse and  
hinderaunce, and some time to extreme destruction: the which dothe ap-  
peare in nothing more or soner then in matters of Religion, and in the  
great & high misteries therof as in the moste comfortable Sacrament  
of the body & bloude of our sauour Iesus Christe, commonly called the  
Sacramente of the Altar, and in scripture, the Supper & Table of  
the Lorde, the Communion, and partakinge of the bodye and bloude of  
Christe: which Sacrament was instituted of no lesse author, then of  
our sauour, both God & man, when at his last supper amongst his Ap-  
ostles he did take & breake into his holy handes, & did saie: Take you &  
eate, this is my body, which is geuen & broken for you. And taking vp  
a chalice of cup, did geue thanks & saie, This is my bloude of the new tes-  
tament, which is shed for you & for many, for the remission of sinnes, that  
when soeuer we should doe & saie, we should do it in remembrance of  
him, & to declare & set forth his death & most glorious passiō, until his co-  
ming. Of & which bread, who soeuer eateth, or of & which cup who soeuer  
drinketh, withoutely eateth and drinketh condemnation and iudge-  
ment to him selfe, making no difference of the Lordes body. The insti-  
tution of which Sacramente beinge ordeined by Christe, as is before  
said, and the same wordes spoken of it here before rehearsed, being of e-  
ternall, infallible, & vndoubted truth: yet the same Sacrament (al this  
notwithstanding) hath beene of late merueilouslye abused by suche ma-  
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† 1. Cor. 11.  
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† Math. 26.  
\* Luke. 22.  
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ner of men, before rehearsed, who of uncharitableness, or else of ignorance & want of learning for certain abuses heretofore committed of some, in mistaking therof have contemned in their hartes and speche, the hohole thing and contemptuously depaured, despised, or reuled the same moste holie and blessed Sacrament, and not onely disputed and reasoned but reuerently and bingoly of that moste high misterie, but also in their sermons, preachings, readings, lectures, communications, arguments, talles, churges, songs, plaies, or games, name, or call it by such idle and vnseemly wordes, as Christian eares doe abhorre to heare rehearsed: for reformation wherof be it enacted by the Kinges highnesse with the assent of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, & of the commons in this present Parliamente assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that what so ever persone, or persons, from and after the firste daye of Maye nexte coming, shall depaure, despise, or contemne the saide moste blessed Sacrament: in contempt therof by any contemptuous wordes, or by any wordes of depauring, despising, or reuling: or what persone, or persones, shall abusively in any otherwise contemne, despise, or reule the said moste blessed Sacrament, contrary to the effectes, and declaration aboue saide, that then he, or they, shall suffer imprisonment, of his, or their bodies, and make fine and ransome at the Kinges will and pleasure.

And for full and effectual execution of the premises before demed, ordeined and enacted by this Act: be it furthermore enacted by the authoritie of this present Parliament, that immediately after the first daye of Maye nexte coming, the Justices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, toherof one of them to be of the Quorum, in every shire of this Realme and Wales, and al other places within the Kinges dominions, shall have full power and authoritie by vertue of this Act, aswel to take information and accusation by thoches and depositions of those able, honest, and leful persones at the least, and after such accusation, or information so had to enquire by the othes of, vii. men, in every their iii. quarter Sessions yerely to be holden, of all and singular such accusations, or informations to be had, or made of any of the offences aboue saide, to be committed, or doone after the saide first daye of Maye, within the limites of their commission: and that vppon every such accusation and information, the offendour, and offendours shall be inquired of and indicted before the said Justices of Peace, or thre of the at p least, as is aforesaid of the said contemptes and offences by the benedict of, vii. honest, and indifferet men if the matter of the saide accusation & information shall seme to the saide Iurie good and true.

And it is also further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that the saide Justices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, before whom any such presentment, information, and accusation shall be made, or taken as is aforesaid, shall examine the accusours, what other toynesse were by, and presente at the time of the doing, and committing



of thoffence wherof the Informations, Accusacions, and presentment shalbe made, and how many others then the accusours, haue knowledge thereof, and shall haue power and authoritie by their discretions, to binde by recognizance to be taken before them, aswell the saide accusours, as all suche other persones, whome the same accusours shall declare to haue knowledge of the offences by them presented and informed, every of them in five poundes to the King, to appeare before the saide Iustices of Peace before whom the offendour, or offendours shalbe tried at the day of trial and deliberance of such offendours.

And it is further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the saide Iustices of Peace, or three of them at the least as is abovesaide, by vertue of this Acte, shall haue full power and authoritie to make proccesse against every persone and persones so indicted by two Capias and an exigent, and by Capias legal, aswell within the limites of their commission, as into all other shires and places of this Realme, Wales, and other the Kinges dominions, aswell within the liberties as without, and the same proccesse to be good and effectual in the law to all intents, constructions and purposes, and vppon the appearance of any of the offendours, shall haue full power and authoritie by vertue of this Acte, and the commission of Peace, to determine the contemptes and offences aforesaide, according to the lawes of this Realme, and effectes of this Acte: and that the said Iustices of Peace, or three of them at the least, as is abovesaide, shall haue full power and authoritie to lette any suche persone, or persones so indicted, vppon sufficient sureties, by their discretions, to bid for their appearance to be tried, according to the tenour, fourme, & effectes of this Acte.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, that the saide Iustices of Peace or three of them at the least, at their quarter Sessions, where any offendour, or offendours shalbe, or shalbe indicted of any of the contemptes, or offences abovesaide, shall directe and award one writte in the Kinges name to the Bishop of the Diocess, wherein the said offence or offences are supposed to be committed, or doone, willinge and requiring the sayde Bishop to be in his churche persone, or by his Chancellour, or other bys sufficient Reputie learned, at the quarter Sessions in the saide Countie to be holden when, and where the saide offendour shalbe arraigned and tried, appointing to them in the saide writt the daye and place of the saide arraignment, whiche writte shalbe of this fourme: Rex, &c. Epō, L. Salutem Praecipimus tibi, quod tu, Cancellarius tuus, vel alius Deputatus tuus sufficient eruditus, sitis cum Iusticiariis nostris ad pacem in eorū, nostro, B: conservand assignat apud D, tali die, ad Sessionem nostram, ad tunc & ibi, tenend, ad dand, consilium & advisament, eisdem Iusticiariis nostris ad pacem, super arraignment & deliberationem offendens, contra forma statuti, cōtinenti sacro sanctum Sacramentum Altaris.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie abovesaide  
 J.iii. that

that no person or persons shall be indicted of any of the contemptes or offences above said, but only of such contemptes or offences as shall be doone, or perpetrated within the more then nexte after the said offences or offence is committed or doone.

7 And be it further enacted by the auctoritie afore said, that in all repelles for any such offence before the said Justices, as is afore sayde the person or persons being complained on and arraigned, shall be admitted to purge by the othe of their innocencie by as many, or more witnesses in number and of as good honesty and credence, as the witnesses be which depose against him, or them, or any of them.

8 And forasmuch as it is more agreeable, both to the first institution of the said Sacramente, of the most precious body and bloude of our Saviour Iesus Christe, and also more conformable to the common use and practice both of the Apostles and of the primitive Church, by the space of five hundredth yeres and more, after Christes ascension, that the said blessed Sacramente should be ministered to all Christian people under bothe the kindes of bread and wine, then under the fourme of bread only, and also it is more agreeable to the first institution of Christe, and to the usage of the Apostles, and the primitive Church, that the people being present should receive the same with the Priest, the that the Priest should receive it alone: therefore be it enacted by our Soveraigne Lorde the King with the consent of the lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and the commons in this presente Parliamente assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that the said most blessed Sacrament be hereafter communie delivered, & ministered unto the people, within this Church of Englande, and Irelande, & other the Kinges dominions under bothe the kindes, that is to saye, of bread and wine, excepte necessarie otherwise require: and also that the Priest, which shall minister the same, shall at the least one day before exhort all persons, which shall be present, by the helle to reforme and prepare themselves to receive the same. And when the day prefixed cometh, after a godly exhortacion by the minister made, wherein shall be further expessed the benefite and comforte promised to them, which worthily receive the holie Sacramente, and warninge and indignacion of God threatened to them, which shall presume to receive the same unworthily, to the ende that every manne maye trie and examine his owne conscience before he shall receive the same the said minister shall not without a lawfull cause denie the same to any persone, that wil devoutly and humbly desire it: any lawe, statute, ordinance, or custome contrary the remitto in any wise notwithstandinge, not condemning hereby the usage of any Church out of the Kinges Highnesse dominions.

¶ An Acte for the election of Bishoppes, and what Seales and stile they and other Spiritual peres exercising jurisdiction Ecclesiastical shall use.

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## ¶ The II. Chapter.

**A**ssmuch as the election of the Archbishops and Bishops by the Deanes and Chapters within the Kinges Majestyes Realmes of Englande and Ireland, at this present time, be slowe to the longe delay, and to parrate costes and charges of such persones, as the Kinges Majestyes getteth any Archbishopshe or Bishopshe into, and wher as the saide elections be in very deepe colections, but only by a witle of Congedellier haue colour, shadowes, or pretences of elections, settinge neuertheless to no purpose, and serving also derogatorie and pernicioull to the Kinges prerogative collall to whom only apperteyneth the collation and giue of all Archbishopsches and Bishopsches, and Suffragane Bishopsches within his highnesse saide Realmes of Englande, and Ireland, Wales, and other his dominions and Marches: For a due reformation hereof, be it therefore enacted by the Kinges highnesse with the assent of the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons in this present Parlyemente assembled, and by authority of the same, that from hence forth, no such Congedellier be graunted, nor election of any Archbishopshe, or Bishopshe, by the Deane and Chapter made: But that the King maie by his letters Patentes at all times, when any Archbishopshe, or Bishopshe be void, conferre the same to any person whom the King shall thinke meete. The whiche collation so by the Kinges letters Patentes made, and deliuered to the persone, to whom the King shall conferre the same Archbishopshe, or Bishopshe, or to his sufficient Proctor, and Attourney, shall stande to all intents, constructions, and purposes, to all wiche, and the same effecte, as though Congedellier had bene geuen, the election duly made, and the same confirmed: and that upon the saide persone, to whom the saide Archbishopshe, Bishopshe, or Suffraganishippe is so conferred, collated, or geuen may be consecrated and sue his lierte, or easter lemaine, and doe other thinges also, as if the saide Ceremonies and elections had bene doone & made.

Provyded alwayes and be it enacted by authoritie aforesaide that every such persone to whom any collation, or gift of any Archiebishopprie, Bishopricke, or Suffraganishippe shalbe given or collated by the King, his heires, or successours shal paye, dooe, and yelde to all and every persone, all such fees, interestes and duties as of olde tyme have bene accustomed to be doone: any thing in this Acte, or in any other, to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And where as the Archbishops and Bishops and other Spi-  
ritual persons in this Realme doe use to make and sende out their for-  
mions, Closures, and other process in their owne names, and in facte  
fourme and maner, as hath bin in the time of the blasphe[m]ous power of the  
Bishop of Rome, contrary to the fourme and order of the commons and

proccesse of the common lawe held in this Realme: Seeing that all author-  
 itie of Jurisdiction, Spiritual and Temporal is derived, and deduced  
 from the Kinges Majesty, as supreme head of these Churches & Real-  
 mes of Englande and Ierusalem, and so is the acknowledged by the cle-  
 rgye of the said Realmes, and that all Countes Ecclesiasticall within the  
 said three Realmes heretofore by no other power, as auctoritie either  
 spirituall, or laye within the Realme, but by the auctoritie of his moste excel-  
 lent Majesty: Be it therefore further enacted by the auctoritie afore-  
 said, that all summones and Citacions, or other proccesse Ecclesiasticall, in  
 all suites and causes of influence, betwixt partie & partie, and all causes  
 of correction, and all causes of bastardie, as begame, or bastardie de Jure  
 Patronatus, probates of testaments, and commissions of administration  
 of persones deceased, and all acquittances, of, and upon accounts  
 made by the executors, administrators, or collectors of goodes of  
 any dead person, be from the firste date of July nexte following made in  
 the name, and with the stile of the King, as it is in his original, or in  
 dical of the common lawe: and that the stile thereof be in the name of the  
 Archibishop, or Bishop, or other having Ecclesiasticall jurisdiction, whoe  
 hath the commission and grant of the auctoritie Ecclesiasticall, imme-  
 diately from the Kinges highnesse, and that his commissarie, Official, or  
 substitute exercising jurisdiction under him, shall put his name in the ci-  
 tation, or proccesse after the stile.

Furthermore, be it enacted by auctoritie afore said, that all manner  
 of persones or persones to be hath the exercise of Ecclesiasticall jurisdiction  
 shall have from the firste date of July before expressed in these scales of  
 Office, the Kinges highnesse Armes verily sette with rearmen correctes  
 under the armes for the knowledge of the World: and shall be no o-  
 ther scale of jurisdiction, but wherein his Majesties Armes be engraven  
 upon prime that if any persones shall use Ecclesiasticall jurisdiction (after  
 the day before expressed) in this Realme of England, Wales, and other  
 his dominions, or territories, and not sende, or make out the Citacion, or  
 proccesse in the Kinges name, or use any scale of jurisdiction, other then  
 before limited, that every such offendour shall waite, and turre in the  
 Kinges highnesse displeasure, and indignation, and shall be imprisoned  
 at his highnesse will and pleasure.

And whereas that no more, nor other fees be taken, or paid for  
 the scale & making of any Citacions, or other proccesse, then hath here  
 before accustomed.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie afore said, that  
 the Archibishoppe of Cantuarie for the time being, shall be his owne  
 scale, and in his owne name, in all matters and dispensacion accordinge  
 to the tenor of an Act therof made: and that the said Archibishoppe  
 and Bishoppes shall make, advise, order, and reforme the said Chanc-  
 cellours, Officials, Commissaries, Deacons, Proctors, and other  
 their



their officers, ministers, and substitutes, and commissions to Justiciaries, Bishoppes in their owne names, under their owne seales in such manner and forme, as they have heretofore used: and shal certifie to the Counte of Cembres, their certificates under their owne names & seales, as here before they have used, and according to the statute in that case made and provided: and likewise shall make collacions, prefermentions, gifts, institutions, and inductions of benefices, letters of orders, or benefices, under their owne names and seales, as they have heretofore accustomed: any thing in this Acte contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is also provided, alwaies, and be it enacted by the majestie aforesaide, that no proccesse hereafter to be made, or awarded by any Ecclesiasticall person or person for the trial of any plea or pleas, or matter depending, or that hereafter shal depende in any of the Kinges Courtes of Record, at the comune lawe, and limited by the lawes and customes of this Realme, to the Spiritual copetes to trie the same: that the certifficat of the same, after the trial therof shalbe made in the Kinges name, for the time being, and with the stile of the same King, and under the seale of the Bishoppe, grauen with the Kinges armes, with the name of the Bishoppe, or Spiritual officer being to the iustice of the same proccesse, and certifficat, and to every of them.

### ¶ The .iii. Chapter.

¶ In Acte for the punishing of vagaboundes, and for the relief of the poore and impotent persones.

**I**Dleness, as idleness and vagabondie, is the mother & roote of all thestes, robberies, and all evil actes, and other mischiefes, and the multitude of people gyven thereto hath alwaies bene here within this Realme very great, & more in number, as it may appeare then in other Regions, to the great empowerrment of the Realme, and danger of the Kinges highnesse subiectes: the which idleness & vagabondie at the Kinges highnesse noble progenitours, Kinges of this realme, and this high Courte of Parliament hath often and with great travaille, goen about, & assailed with godly actes and statutes to repressse, yet untill this our time, it hath not had that successe, whiche hath bene wished, but partly by the pitie and mercy of them, which should have bene the said godly lawes executed, partly by the perverse nature, and long accustomed idleness of the persones gyven to loitering, the said godly statutes hether to have had small effecte, and idle and vagabonde persones being unprofitable members, as rather enemies of the common wealthe, hath bene suffered to remaine and increase, and yet so doe to harme, if they should be punished by death, whipping, imprisonment, and with other corporall paine, it were not without their desertes for the example of others: and to the benefite of the common wealthe: yet if they could be brought to be made profitable, and good service, it were muche to bee wished and desired.

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Be it therefore enacted by the King's highwelle, with the consent of the  
 Lords spiritual and temporall, and the commons in this present Parlia-  
 ment assembled, and by authority of the same, firste that all Statutes  
 and Actes of Parliamente heretofore made for the punishment of va-  
 gaboundes and sturdy beggers, and all articles compiled in the same,  
 shall be from henceforth repealed, void and of none effect. And also  
 Secondly, that whosoever, after the first daye of April next folow-  
 ing, maner, woman being not lame, impotent, or so aged, or diseased  
 with sickness, that he, or she cannot worke, not having landes, or tene-  
 mentes, fees, annuities, or any other perche revenues, or profits where  
 on they may liue sufficiently by their living, shall, either like a serving man  
 wanting a Maister, or like a begger, or after any such other sort, bee  
 lurking in any house, or houses, or loitering, or idle wander by the high-  
 wayes side, or in streets, in cities, townes, or villages, not applying them  
 selve to some honest and allowed arte, science, service, or labour, and so  
 doe continue by the space of three dayes, or more together, and not offer  
 them selues to labour with any that will take them, according to their fa-  
 cultie: and if no man, otherwise will take them, doe not offre themselves  
 to worke for meate and drinke, or after they bee so taken to worke, for  
 the space agreed betwixt them and their maister, doe leave their worke  
 out of convenient time, or run away: that then euerye suche persone shall  
 be taken for a vagabounde, and that it shall be lawfull to euerye suche ma-  
 ster offeringe such idle persone service, and labour, and that being by hym  
 refused, or who hath agreede with such idle persone, and from whome  
 within the space agreed of service, the saide loiterer hath runne away, or  
 departed before the ende of the covenant betwene them, and to any o-  
 ther persone espying the same to bring, or cause to be brought the saide  
 persone so lying idle and loitering, to two of the nexte Iustices of the  
 Peace there resident, or abiding, who hearinge the plaint of the ydle  
 person of the saide persone by the saide space lying ydle, as is aforesaid,  
 approued to them by two honest witnesses, or confession of the partye,  
 shall immediately cause the saide loiterer to bee marked with an harte  
 Iron in the brest, the marke of V, and aduise the saide persone lying  
 so idle to such presentour, to be his slave to haue and to holde the saide  
 slave to hym, his executors, or assigns for the space of two yeres then  
 nexte folowinge, and to order the saide slave as foloweth: that is to saye  
 to take suche persone aduised a slave to hym, and cruelly geuinge the  
 saide slave beate and lacer, or smel drinke, and such refuse of meate as  
 he shall thinke mete, cause the saide slave to worke by beating, chey-  
 ning, or otherwise, in such worke and labour (howe vile soeuer it bee)  
 as he shall put him vnto. And if any manner of slave, either for loitering  
 or for the cause before rehearsed so aduised, shall within the space of  
 the saide two yeres here appointed, runne away, departe, or absente  
 hym from his saide Maister, by the space of xiiii. dayes together, without  
 licence:



license: It shal not onely be lesfull to his saide Master to pursue & seche him again by vertue of this Act, but also to punish the such faulte by chei-  
nes or beating, as to a slave: and against the detainer, if any manne  
doe willingly detaine him, knowing him to be a slave, as is afore sayde  
to have an action of trespassse, and recover thereby in damages tenne  
poundes, befor the costes and charges of the suite: for so detaininge bys  
saide slave. And further, every such maister shewing, and proving by two  
sufficient witnesses, the saide offence and faulte of his runninge awaye  
before twoe Justices of Peace of the saide Countie, where of the one  
to be of the Quorum, the same Justices shal cause such slave, or loyter-  
er to be marked on the forehead, or the halle of the cheeke with an hoate  
Iron, with the signe of an S. that he may be knowne for a loyterer, and  
a runner awaye, and shal adjudge the loyterer, and runner awaye to be the  
saide Masters slave for ever. And if such slave shall the seconde time  
runne awaye, or absent him selfe, if the saide Master shall approue the  
same seconde running awaye, with twoe sufficient witnesses before the  
Justice of Peace, in their generall and quarter sessions: then every such  
faulte and running awaye to be adjudged felony, and such loyterer and  
runner awaye to be taken as a felon, and thereof being lawfully indicted  
and attainted, or otherwise condemned to suffer peines of death, as o-  
ther felons ought to doe.

Wherby also, and bee it enacted by authoritye afore saide, that no  
Clerke convicted shall hereafter make his purgacion, and upon such pur-  
gacion be delivred, and sette at large otherwise then is in the Statute  
hereafter expessed.

And be it further enacted by authoritye afore saide that every Clerke  
convicted, or hereafter to be convicted, whiche shoulde by the order of the  
lawe enjoye the benefite of their purgacion, shall and maye from hence-  
forth finde any man, if they can, who shall bee bound with twoe suffici-  
ent sureties to the ordinary, in the summe of .xx. l. to the higes highnesse  
ble, to retaine the saide comit as his slave, and to kepe the saide persone  
so comit for the space of one yere then next folowinge, that he shal not  
goe abroad, and at large, and then the said comit shal be delivred to  
the saide persone so taking the same, and being bounde, as is afore sayde,  
to be his slave for one whole yere then next folowinge by vertue of thys  
Act, in all such maner and forme, and to all suche intenes and purpo-  
ses, and with all such order, lawes, conditions, and peralties for running  
awaye, or other, as is afore said of a burgabounde, taken loytering & made  
a slave (turning in the breast only excepte: and the ordinarie by the de-  
livrie of the saide comit to such person being bounde, as is afore saide  
to be of the keeping of the saide comit clerely discharged, and exonera-  
ted by vertue of this Act.

And if so be that the saide Clerke so comit cannot finde anye man  
to be bounde, as is afore sayd, to whome he may be adjudged a slave in  
the

for the space of one yere: then at any time after the end of one yere, after his conviction it shall be lawful for the same Clerke to make his purgation, as he ought before this statute, any thing in this statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

And where as Clerkes convicted, or attainted by the order of the lawes of this Realme, cannot make their purgation, and should perpetually by the same remain in prison, bee it nevertheless enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if there be any manner of persone, who will at any time demande the same Clerke convicted, or attainted, & be bound to the ordinary with two sufficient sureties, as is above written, to kepe the same as his slave, by the space of five yeres: the next following that then the same shall be adjudged his slave for like space, with all such orders, lawes and penalties, for running awaye, and other orders, as is before expressed of a vagabonde adjudged to any manne for a slave (the burning in the brest onely excepted) and upon the adjudgement delivered to such demandante, the ordinary from thenceforth of the keeping of such Clerke convicted, or attainted, clerely exonerated, and discharged by vertue of this Acte.

And for as much as divers women and men goeth on begging way-fairing, of the which some be impotent and lame, and some able enough to labour, & hithe doe carrie children about with them, some, xiii. or. b. yeres of age, or younger, or elder, which brought up in idleness might be so roted in it, that hardely they may be brought after to good thylite and labour: or if any childe about the age of five yeres, and under the age of xiii. yeres go idlye wandring about as a vagabonde: bee it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any manner of persone will take anye such childe, bee it male, or female, of and from anye such begger, beeyng the mother thereof, nourisher, or keeper, whether the be willing or not, or without anye such nourice, mother or keeper by him selfe wanderynge, and bring the saide childe so taken at any before one of the Constables of the Parishes, and two other honeste, and discrete neighbours witnesses, and before any Justice of Peace there ressaunt, and abydinge: and promise to bring the same childe by in some honest labour, or occupacion, til he or she come to the age of xx. yeres the woman childe, or xiii. the man childe: that then and immediately the saide Justice of Peace & Constable shall adjudge by vertue of this Acte, the saide childe unto the ages before specified, to be servants or apprentices to the saide persones so taking and promising to be bled and ordered in all pointes according as the lawe and custome of this Realme is of servants and apprentices, to what labour occupacion, or service shewer the sayde Justice shall appointe him, or her, during the saide time. And if it shall fortunee such childe so adjudged to runne awaye at any time, ones, or more times, from his, or her master, or maistris: that then it shall be lawefull for every such Justice, to take the saide childe again, and to kepe and punishe the saide childe,



childe, in cheynes or otherwys, and bit hym, or her as hys name in all portes, for the tyme before rehearsed, of the age of such childe, that is to say, till twentie the woman childe, and the man childe. xxij.

It is ordeyned also, that any maister, eyther of the men, or of the women so adjudged slaves, or of the children adjudged apprentices or servants, may letre, sette forth sell, bequeathe, or geve the service & labor of suche slaves or servants so adjudged, as is afore sayde, to any persone, or persones, to whomsoever he will, upon suche condicion, and for suche tyme of peres as the sayd persones be adjudged to him for slaves, servants, or apprentices, after suche lyke sorte and maner, as he may do of any other his movable goodes or cattailen: and they for the sayd space and tyme, to be bounde to all portes and constructions, to such lessee, donee, vendee, or assignee, as they were to their first appheders and maisters, by vertue of this Statute.

It is ordeyned also, and be it enacted by auctorite afore sayde: that if any such slave, or slaves, or children so adjudged, shall at any tyme after suche adjudgement, maim, or wounde theyr maisters or maistresses, in resisting their correction, or otherwys: or when they be committed, and set agayne free, or in the tyme of theyr service, shall conspire with any other, or by themselves go about to murder & kill, or to maim, wounde, or beate the said maister or maistresse, or any that was their maister or maistresse, or to burne their houses, barnes, or coigne, so that their entente come to an acte tending to the effecte: that then every suche maim or wounde, or the going about to murder, kill, maim, wounde, or beate suche persone or persones, as be, or were their maisters or maistresses, or to burne their houses, barnes, or coigne, so that their entente do come to any act tending to the same effecte, as lying in waitte with a weapon, or any such like, shalbe accounted felonye: & they shall suffre therefore penes of death, as in case of felonye: excepte that any suche persone or persones, as be, or had been maister or maistresse to any of them, or be refusing any other wil take suche person so offending, to their slaves & the he or she so offending to be adjudged to the perso so willing to take him or her so offending slave for ever, and thereupon to be discharged of the felonye. The same lawe & orde to be had in al condicions, if it shoulde chaunce the father, mother, nourice, or other the bearer about of the childe, or any other persone, or persones, to steale awaye suche childe adjudged apprentice or servant, that is, to bee slave to suche apprentices, or servants maister, whose apprentice or servant was so stolen or emysed awaye, for ever: & the maister nevertheless to take & receive his said apprentice or servant again, as if the said taking awaye had never be doen.

Be it also enacted by auctorite afore sayd, that although there be no man, which shal demaunde such loiterer, or loiterers, as before expressed into their service: yet nevertheless the Justice of peace in that cite, borough, Towne, or Hundred dwelling, if any such be, or els any other

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Judice of peace of the same Shyre, and also there dwelling, by thys, as  
their office shalbe hereafter bounde by vertue of this acte, not onely to  
enquire of all suche vile persones, but also if they doe espye anye suche  
bagabondes, or vile persone, or if anye such be detected unto them, to  
examine him or her, of the tyme of theyr bagaboundrye: and if it shall  
appeare to anye Judice of peace, anye such man or woman to have beene  
a bagraunt and bagabound, or vile person by the space as is aforesaid,  
to cause the same to be marked on the brest with an V. made with an  
hoate yron, and also to learne and enquire of him the Towne, Cite, or  
Village, wher in he was borne, and then shal immediately geue a writ-  
ting in parchment sealed with his seale, to the said loyterer, of the re-  
nour & tounne, which here ensueth. C. A. B. Judice of peace in the coun-  
tie of S. to the Shalour, or chiefe officer of the cite of Q. (if it be a cite)  
or to the head borough, Bayliffe, or Constable, or head officer of p'tourne  
of Q. (if it be a Towne) or to the Constable, or Tything man of the  
Village of C. (if it be a village) gretyng. Accordyng to a most godlye  
Statute made in the first yere of the reygne of our Soueraigne loyde  
kyng Edward the sixte. We have taken this beaue L. K. bagraunt-  
lye, and to the evill example of others, without maister service, or labor,  
wherby to gette his living, going loitering wylde aboute. And because  
the same sayth, he was borne in C. in the countie of S. wherof you are  
the head officer or Constable. We have sent him to you to be ordred ac-  
cording to the purpose and effect of the same Statute. And with this  
writing shal deliver the same loyterer to the Constables, or other head  
officer of the said Cite, Towne, or Village, wherein such loyterer was  
taken, to be safely conkyghed by them to the next Constable, and so from  
Constables to Constables, & other head officers, till he or she be brought  
to the place, the whiche, he or she hath named them selfe to be borne in,  
and then to be delivered to the head officer or Constable of that same  
Cite, Borough, or Towne, Village, Hamlette, or Parshie, there to be  
nourished and kept of the same Cite, Towne, or Village, in cheynes, or  
otherwise, either at the common workes in mending high wayes, or o-  
ther common worke, or from man to man in order, till they which may  
beare be equally charged to be slave to the corporation of the cite, or to  
the inhabentes of the Towne or village, that he or she were borne in,  
after all suche fourme, condition, pact, or yeres, ordres, punishmentes for  
running away, & all others, as are expressed of a common, or private per-  
son to whom anye such loyterer is adjoyged a slave. And the sayde cite,  
Towne, or village shall be the said slave be prygable to labour, sette on  
woolke, & not lye wylde within the said precinctes, upon payre, for every  
such default, that the sayde slave doth lye vyle by the defaulte of the  
Cite, borough, or town, or village, by the space of three working dayes  
together, the cite to suffer, s. ii. A Borough, or town, s. iij. s. iij. s. iij.  
and other towns or village, s. iij. s. iij. s. iij. Wherof the one halfe to the King our  
souveraigne



soveraigne lord, the other to him that had sue for the same, in any of the kinges courtes of Record, by bill, information or action of debte, in the which suites, no essone, wager of lawe, or protection shalbe allowed.

¶ Provided also be it enacted, that the Cite, Towne, & Borough corporate, by the consent of the more parte of the corporation: & the towne and village not corporate, by the consent of the more parte of the inhabitants thereof, may sette, sell, or geve awaye the right tytle, and interest of the sayd flane, to any other person, as any other common or private persone may do with his flane, by the vertue of this Acte.

¶ Provided also be it enacted, that if it fortune when the said vagabonde is brought to the sayd Cite, Towne, or village, where the said persone said he was borne, to appeare, & be manifest, that he is the true not there borne: that then for such he, the sayde vagabond shalbe marked in the face with an S, and be flane to the inhabitants, or corporation of the Cite, Towne, or village, where the sayde vagabond sayde he was borne in, for ever, upon such condicions and orders, in all poyntes, as of a flane marked in the face is before expressed: the same lawe, and order in all poyntes to be had of all vagabond persones, and vagabondes being borne in anye other nation or countrey, then this Realme, as is before expressed of Englishe yole persones, marking in the breast or face onely excepted that is to be had to the next port, and there to be kepte of the inhabitants of the sayde next port, in convenient labour, and from idleness, or otherwise, till they may be conveyed over: and then at the costes of the inhabitants of the sayde port, to be conveyed over into their countreys.

And forasmuche as there is manye irymed & otherwyselamed, soze, aged, & impotent persones, which resorteth to the cite of London, and to other cities, townes, & villages, on begging: whos comynge together, & making a numbre, doth fill the stretes or high wayes, of divers cities, townes, markettes & sayres, who, if they wer separated, mought easely be nourished in the townes & places, wherein they were borne, or where they were, or have been most comertant and abyding, by the space of thre yeres: Be it therefore enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that all & singular Mayours, Sherrifes, Baylives, Constables, or other head officers of any cite, towne, or hundred, to whiche suche resort is, or shalbe, shal before the feast of the Purification of our Lady next following, see all such yole, impotent, irymed, & aged persones, who otherwysel cannot by their discrecions bee taken for vagabondes, whiche were borne within the said cite, towne, or hundred, or hath been there mooste comertant and abyding by the space of thre yeres, as is aforesaid, & now decayed, bestored, and provided for of Tenantes, Cottages, or other convenient houses, to be lodged in, at the costes & charges of the sayde Cities, townes, boroughes, and villages, there to be relieved and cured by the denotion of the good people of the said Cite, borough, towne, or

village. And that they doe not suffer after the time before rehearsed any  
 other then such as were borne, or had been for the most parte  
 comershaunt or abiding by the space above said, in the sayd Cite, Bo-  
 rough, Village, or Towne to remaine and begge abroad within the  
 parishes of such Cites, Townes, villages, or hamlets upon paine  
 that every such Mayor, Shireffe, and Bayliffe, Constable, or other  
 head officer, by what name soever he be called suffering any persones  
 to begge within the precinct of any of the sayd Jurisdiction, other  
 then as before rehearsed for every three dayes that he shall receive  
 soever will sue therfore, by bill, information, or action of debt, in any  
 Courte of Record, in the which suites, none effeine, wages of lawe, nor  
 protection shalbe allowed.

And for the better performance hereof be it enacted by authority  
 aforesaid, that the Mayor of the Cite of London, and all other Ma-  
 jours, Bayliffes, Shireffes, Constables, and other head officers of every  
 cite, and totone corporate, doe with all convenient speede by themselves,  
 or their sufficient deputies by them appointed, before the feast of the  
 Purification next coming, and so from time to time, every Moneth  
 once, make a view and examinacion of aged, impotent, and lame persons,  
 beggers as be within the precinct of their jurisdiction, and see all such  
 as were not borne, nor had been for the moste parte comershaunt and  
 abiding there by the space for three yeares coplete, conveyed on horse-  
 backe, cartte, or chariotte, or otherwise, as shal seeme by their discrecions,  
 to the next Constables, and they to convey the same to the next Co-  
 stables, and so from Constables to Constables, till the sayd persons be  
 brought to the place where they were borne, or most comershaunt and  
 abiding, as is aforesaid, there to be provided for, kepte, and nourished  
 of almshouse, as is aforesaid upon the pemie, that everye such Mayor,  
 Shireffe, or Constable, head borough, or head officer not making viewe,  
 not sending or conveying awaye, not receiving, or not providing, as  
 is before appointed, according to the true purport or meaning of this  
 acte, to forfeite for everye such default, &c. To whereof the one halfe to  
 the Kinges use, the other to the partie that will sue therfore in any of the  
 Kinges courtes of Record, by bill, information, action of debt, in the  
 which suites, none effeine, wages of lawe, nor protection shalbe allowed.

Provided also, that if any of the sayd aged, maymed, or impotent  
 persones of the Cites, townes, or villages where they were borne in,  
 or had their most abiding, as is aforesaid, be not so lame or impotent,  
 but that they may worke in some maner of worke, that then such cite,  
 Towne, parische, or village, doe either in common provide some such  
 worke for them, or they may be occupied in, or appointe them to such  
 as will serve them worke for meate and drinke. And if they refuse of  
 to worke, or doe rane awaye and begge in  
 other places, then to paye the the same according to their discrecions,



with cheryning, beating, or other vile, as shall seme to them conuenient. And for the more furtherance of the reliefe of such who be are in vnfained misery, and to whom charite ought to be extended: be it enacted by authorite aforesaid, that every Sondag and holy daye, after the reading of the Gospell of the day, the Curate of every parische do make (according to such talent as God hath geuen hym) a godlye and bryefe exhortacion to his Parishioners: mouing and exhorting them to remembre the poore people, and the dutie of Chastlian charite, in relieving of them, who be be their brethren in Christe, borne in the same Parische, & needing their helpe.

Wherby it is ordeined, that if it shall chauce any such aduised apprentice, seruant, or slave, as is before rehearsed, to haue inheritance descended vnto hym, or her, or any other wayes, by the lawes of this realme, warde, or bondeman, or nelle of blode, by, or from anye of his aunces, flours, to any person or persons: That then it shall be lawfull to anye such person or persons, to inhauie anye such warde, bonde man, or nelle shall apperteyne, to steale and takee such wardes, bonde men, or nelles, and them to retriue and kepe, as they wardes, bonde men, or nelles. And the said wardes, bonde men, and nelles shall be discharged of the said slavery, or other seruitude, or bondage aboue rehearsed: This estatute, or any thing therein contained, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And also be it enacted, that if anye such seruant, apprentice, slave, or slaves, which shall haue at any tyme hereafter any aduancement or liuing, accrue, come, or growe vnto hym, or anye of them, to where by he, or they may haue a conuenient liuing, that then, and from thenceforth he, or they so being aduanced, to be discharged of their slavery, seruitude, and bondage: this Act, or any thing therein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Any woman being a seruant, apprentice, or slave, as is aforesaid, being married within the age of .xx. yeres, without the assent of her maister, vntill she shall accomplishe and come to the said age of .xx. yeres, onely excepted.

Be it also enacted, that all Leprouse, and poore beddered creatures, whatsoeuer they be, may at theyr owne libertie remayne and continue in such houses appointed for leprouse, or beddered people, as they now be in, & shall not be compelled to repaie into any other countreys or places, by the vertue of this acte: any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. And that also it shall be lesull vnto the said Leprouse and beddered people, for their better reliefes, to appoynte their Doctours or Doctores, so there be not appoynted aboue the number of two persons, for any one house of Leprouse beddered people, to gather the charitable almes of all such inhabitants, as shall be within the compassse of .iiij. myles of any of the said houses of leprous and beddered persons.

And be it ordeyned and enacted by the authorite aforesaid, that it

shalbe lawful to every persone, to whom any persone in fourme above-  
said, shalbe assigned a slave, to put a ring of iron about his necke, ar-  
me, or his legges, for a more knowledge and certtie of the keeping of him.  
And that if any persone or persones do take, or helpe to take any suche  
bonds of iron from any suche slave, that then everye persone so doing  
without the licence or assent of his maister, shall forfeite for every such  
default, .i. poundes sterling.

Be it further enacted, that this present acte shall before the first daye  
of Marche next comming be openly proclaimed in every Citie, Corpora-  
rate towne, and market Towne, upon the market daye: and also from  
thenceforth shall yetely be read in every shire openly in two general  
quarter sessions of the peace, that is to say, at the generall quarter ses-  
sions after Whitsome, & the generall quarter sessions next after Chri-  
stmas, to the intent that every persone may have knowledge thereof,  
and that this acte shall endure unto the ende of the next Parliament.

Provided alwaies, & be it enacted, that it shalbe lawful to the Loorde  
Chancelour of England, or the lord keeper of the great Seale for the  
time being, at their discretions to graunt commission under the great  
seale of England, to every or any persone or persones that hath, or shal  
have his or their houses or barnes burnt, or suche losses, to gather the  
reliefe and charite of others for their ayde and helpe, of his or their los-  
ses, decay, or hinderance, as in tyme past hath been used: any thing con-  
tained in this acte notwithstanding.

**An acte for Tenures holden in Capite.**

**The .iii. Chapter.**

*Tenures.*



Here before this time, ambiguities, questions, & doubtes  
have been moved and stirred in divers & sundry the kinges  
ges Countes of Reche, whether suche Honours, Cas-  
tles, Manours, landes, tenementes, and other heredita-  
mentes are holden of the king in Capite, whiche any hys  
loving subiectes doe holde by knyghes service, Sergeant, or other ser-  
vices of the king as of his Duches, Ecclesiastical, Barones, Honours,  
Castles, manours, landes, tenementes, fees, and seigniouries, whiche  
have come to the handes and possession of divers of his highnes most  
noble Progenitours, by attainder of treason, misprision of treason, at-  
tainder of Premunire, and prouision had and doen by Acte of Parlia-  
ment, by hereditie, confession, conviction, or belegarie, and officers or no  
offices thereupon founde, or by the dissolution, surrender, or giving up  
to the king, or to any hys noble Progenitours, of any religious or Ec-  
clesiasticall houses or places, or of any Honours, Landes, Tenemen-  
tes, and other hereditaments, to any of the same religious or Ecclesi-  
asticall houses or places in any wise apperteyning or belonging, or not.  
By meanes of whiche doubtes so moved, hys sayed humble and obedie-  
nt Subiectes and tenementes have been heretofore much troubled,  
molested,



mosteſt and greved: wherefore the king our ſoveraigne. Laſte uny-  
ding, and enſetive deſiring the quietneſſe of his ſaid ſubiectes, and  
that the certaintie of his lawes in that behalf might be knownen, and  
declared to his ſayd loving ſubiectes: for a plaine declaration and ce-  
ſſation to be had, of, for, and concerning the premises, as the humble  
petition and ſuite of the Lordes and Commons in this preſent Parlia-  
ment aſſembled, doth ordeyne, declare, and enacte by the aſſent of the  
Lordes Spirituall and Temporal, and of the commons in this preſent  
Parliament aſſembled, and by the authoritie of the ſame, that all ſuch  
Honours, caſtles, manours, landes, tenements, and other hereditame-  
ntes, and every of them, which now be, or at any tyme hereafter ſhalbe  
holden of the king, or of any of his heires or ſucceſſours, by any of his  
ſayd ſubiectes, by knightes ſervice, ſotage, or other ſervice, as of any  
of theſe or their Dukedomes, Earledomes, Barones, Caſtles, Ma-  
nours, landes, tenements, fees, or Seigniories, which be come to the  
king, or his moſt noble progenitours, or hereafter ſhall come to the  
king, his heires or ſucceſſours, by meanes of any ſuch Attainder, con-  
viction, Utlagarie, or of any ſuche diſſolution, ſurrender, or giving, by  
of any religious or Eccleſiaſtical houſes or places, or of any Honours,  
landes, tenements, or hereditaments, to any of the ſaid religious or  
Eccleſiaſtical houſes or places in any wiſe belonging or appertaining,  
ſhall not from henceforth bee adjoyged, deemed, taken, or conſtrued to  
any intent, conſtruction or purpoſe, to be holden in Capite, or in Tenuite  
in Capite: any ambiguitie, queſtion, or doubte, heretofore moved to the  
contrarie notwithstanding.

Provyded alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforeſaid,  
that this act or any thing therein conteyned, ſhal not in any wiſe be pre-  
judiciall ne hurtfull to the king, his heires, or ſucceſſours, to, for, or con-  
cerning any wardſhip, livery, primer ſeaſon, fine for alienation, or to,  
or for any other proſite or advantage, whiche now is come, or hereaf-  
ter ſhall, or maye come, fall, or growe to the king, his heires, or ſucceſ-  
ſours, by, or from any perſone or perſones, whiche now doth, or hereaf-  
ter ſhall holde any honours, ſeigniories, caſtles, manours, landes, te-  
nements, or other hereditaments of the king in Chiefe, as of his per-  
ſone, or of any other his auncient poſſeſſions, and being not come to the  
king by any ſuch attainder, conviction, conſtruction, Utlagarie, diſſolution,  
giving, by, or ſurrender, as be aforeſaid.

Provyded alſo, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforeſaid, that  
this preſent Act, or any thing therein conteyned or ſpecified, ſhal not  
in anye wiſe, or by any meanes, geve any advantage, libertie, or pro-  
ſite to anye Tenant or owner in fee ſimple, of anye Honours, Ma-  
nours, landes, tenements, or other hereditaments, which have here-  
tofore had any ſpeciall or generall livery, or ouſter le mayne, out of the  
handes of the king, or of any his noble progenitours, of any Honours,  
manours,

maner, lande, tenement, or other hereditament, by what loner  
or lessee they were, or be holden, or should be, by any man-  
ner of conveyance, or in what of the king, but that they, their heirs  
and assigns, shall have and hold the same maners, landes, tenement-  
tes, and other hereditaments, in like maner and forme, as they shal be  
foure the making of this present Act, as though this present Act had  
never been made, nor made anything about declared and enacted to the  
contrary notwithstanding.

¶ In Acte that no houses shalbe conveyed out of this realme, nor  
landes or other the kinges dominions without licence.

The 14 Chapter



Where before this time, divers of the kinges subjec-  
tes, and namely of the North partes of this realme  
aswel in time of peace as of warre, have conveyed  
sold, geue, or delivered out of this realme, aswel into  
Scotland, as into other foreign realmes, beyonde þe  
sea, many & divers greute multitude of houses, gel-  
dings, & maners, which have been thought aswell  
great occasion, strength, & boldnesse to the Scottishmen, & other þe kinges  
lozen enemies having in possession þe same houses, geldings, & maners,  
in time of warre to invade this realme, as also a great decay of þe good  
breede of houses and maners, whiche before time hath been within this  
realme, to the great detriment & hinderance of the kinges poore subiec-  
tes, towordes the defence of this realme and other his dominions: for  
remedy wherof, be it therfore enacted by our soveraigne lord the king,  
and by the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the aucto-  
rity of the same, that if any persone or persones, after the first daye of  
January next comming, doe sell, exchange, geue, convey, or deliver in  
to the realme of Scotland, to the use of any Scottishman, or do carry,  
geue, exchange, sell, send, convey, or deliver into any place beyond the  
sea out of this realme, or the dominions of the same, any house, gelding  
or maner, without speciall licence therfore to be obtained of the kinges  
highnes, or of his heires, under the great seale of this realme, or under  
the privie signate: or if any persone or persones, after the said first daye of  
January, do sell, exchange, geue, or deliver to any Scottishman within  
this realme of England or Wales, the shire of Berke, or the mar-  
ches of the same, to thintent to be conveyed into Scotland, any house,  
gelding, or maner, or do convey, or carry any house, maner, or gelding in-  
to any foreign parties beyond the sea, without the speciall licence obtai-  
ned of the kinges highnes, or of his heires, under the great seale, or pri-  
vie signate, as is afore said: that then the same perso and persons so of-  
fering contrary to this act, shall lose & forfeite to our soveraigne lord  
and his heires, the same house, maner, or gelding, so caried and convey-  
ghed, and shall also lose and forfeite the summe of fourtie poundes for  
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every such horse, gelding, or mare, to be vercheiged & carried in foune  
 adreined: Whiche of the same maye to be to the king, & the other maye  
 be to him, or them, that will sue for the same, by information, action, or  
 debt, or by iudgement in any of the kinges courts, or elsewhere, in which suite,  
 no longer of late, either no protection shalbe allowed. And that also  
 all and every person and persons, offending contrary to this acte,  
 shall suffer imprisonment by the space of one whole year.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that it shalbe  
 lesfull, aswell to the warden & wardens of the East, West, and middle  
 marches for the time being, in theyr warden courts, as also to all and  
 every the kinges Justices of peace in every shire, aswell in England,  
 as in Wales, in theyr quarter sessions, to require of all and every officer  
 or officers hereafter to be perpetrated, committed, or done contrary to this  
 acte: And that it shalbe lesfull to all and every person & persons being  
 & kinges subiectes, to arrest & imprison every Scotlandman, & all & eve-  
 ry other persone, or persones, which shall leade, or come byh contrary to  
 the meaning of this Acte, any such horse, gelding, or mare, oute of this  
 realme into the said realme of Scotland, or into any other foere in place  
 beyond the sea, other then such person, as hereafter shall have sufficient  
 warrant by, or from the kinges highnesse, or his heires, under his, or  
 their great scale, or priuie signate, according to the meaning of this acte.

And pouered alwaies, & be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that  
 if the kyng our soveraigne Lord, his heires, or successours, at any time  
 hereafter, under his great scale, or priuie signate, doe geue licence, to any  
 persone, or persones, to cary, or comenigh anye horses, mares, or geldun-  
 ges into Scotlande, or into anye other parties beyond the sea, or els do  
 geue auctoritie, power, or commaundement to any persone, or persones,  
 by warrant, under the kinges great scale, to licence any other person  
 or persones to cary, or comenigh anye horses, mares, or geldunges into  
 Scotlande, or into anye parties beyond the sea, that then it shalbe lesfull,  
 aswell to al & singular person & persons having such licence under the  
 kinges greatescale, or priuie signate, as to al & every other person and  
 persons, having licence in writing under the scale of such persone, or per-  
 sons, to whom the king shall geue auctoritie, power, or commaunde-  
 ment in foure abovesaid, to licence other person or persons to cary, or  
 comenigh anye horses, mares, or geldunges into Scotlande, or into anye  
 parties beyond the sea, to cary & comenigh such number of horses, geldun-  
 ges, or mares, or any of them into Scotlande, or into any of the parties  
 beyond & sea, as shalbe mencioned in any such licence, as is before specified  
 any thing mencioned in this acte to be contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And pouered alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that  
 this acte, or any thing therein contained, shal in any wise extende, to any  
 persone, or persones, which at any time hereafter shall cary, or comenigh  
 any horse, mare, or gelding into Scotlande, or into anye other foere  
 parties

parties beyond the sea to serve the king in his marches, with the same horses or mares or geldings any thing mentioned in this Act, to the contrary in any writ notwithstanding.

And to the intent the king's shute be that not hereafter be decreased in the number of horse, harts, mares, or geldings, which hereafter shall be carried and conveyed into Scotland, in that the parties which hereafter shall obtain any licence by force of this act, for the carriage or conveyance of any horse, mare, or gelding, to be carried or conveyed into Scotland, be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and every such person or persons, which hereafter shall be licensed according to this act to carry or convey any horse, mare, or gelding into Scotland, shall before the same carriage, or conveyance, by the power of signature of the said horse, mare, or gelding, or the double value thereof, hereof the one moiety to be to the king, & the other moiety to him or them that will sue for the same by such lybe action as before is limited in this act, then & his or their sayde licence, to one of the three wardens of the three marches of England, so that intent that one of the said wardens shall cause the number of the said horses, mares, or geldings so licensed to be conveyed into Scotland, not onely to be halldard in a booke, to remaine in his own custody, but also to be endorsed and written on the backside of the said licence, and the same endorsement to be signed with the hand of the sayde warden.

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Provided also, that it shall be lawful to every of the kinges subjects, that shall passe over beyond the sea, to shipp and carry with them, horses, or geldings, for their own occupation in their journeyes, and not to the intent to sell the same beyond the sea: And that intent to be judged by the othe of him, or them, that so will carry over any horse, or gelding, which othe shall be taken before the Customers, or their deputies, or searcher of every such shopp, where the same horse, or gelding shall be shipped before the shipping thereof.

Provided also, that the warden of the five portes now being, or hereafter to be, may yetely at his pleasure, give six horses or geldings, or no more, within one yere, at one, or divers times, upon lybe payne as is aforesaid, to any person or persons, in the parties beyond the seas, being in amitie with the kinges highnesse, or his successours: this act or any thing therein, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that this act, nor any thing therein mentioned, be in any wise hurtful or prejudiciall to the minister of the kinges horses, now, or hereafter to be, for such thinges & comodities, as shall & doe concerne his office, any thing in this act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that it shall be lawful to any the kinges subjects to carry, or sende into any parties beyond the sea, any mares, whereof the paye of any one mare so to be carried, doth not excede .c. s. in such and lyke manner, as mares beyng of the paye of .l. s. by .l. s. have been, or might



might haue been conueighed ouer the Seaw, before the making of this  
act: any thing in this act, or in any other act or actes heretofore made  
to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

**C**an Acte for the continuance of making  
of Woolsted parne in Norfolk.

**C**The. vi. Chapter.



Where the greatest and almost the whole nūbre of  
poore inhabitants of the countie of Norfolk, & the  
citie of Norwich, be, and haue been heretofore for a  
great tyme maintained, & gotten their living by spin-  
ning of the wollen growing in y<sup>e</sup> said countie of Nor-  
folke vpon the rock into parne, & by al the said tyme  
haue vsed to haue their accesse to comon markettes  
within the said countie and citie, to buye their wolle there to be spūne  
as is aforesaide, of certayne persons called retailers of the same wolle  
by eight peny worth, and twelue penyworth at one tyme or thereabout,  
and haue not vsed to buye, ne can buye their said wolle of the breeders  
of the said wolle by such small parcelles, aswell for that the sayd bre-  
ders of the said wolle will not sell their said wolle by such small par-  
celles, as also for that the most parte of the sayd poore persones dwell  
farre off fro the said breeders of the said wolle: And forasmuche as by an  
act of Parliamēt made in the. xxvij. yere of the reigne of the noble king  
of famous memory Henry the. viij. all persones be restrayned vpon a  
great payne, to bye any wolle to sell the same againe, except merchants  
of the Staple, for the onely prouision of the Staple, as in the sayd Acte  
among other thinges more at large it is contained: therefore the said re-  
tailers of wolle in the said countie of Norfolk and citie of Norwich,  
whiche heretofore haue vsed to buye wolle, and to sell them agayne to  
the sayd poore persones in ouert markettes, as is aforesaide, haue since  
the making of the sayd statute in richetwing the daunger and payne  
provyded by the same, craued and left to bye the sayd wolle, for the re-  
liefe of the sayd poore persones: By reason wherof the same poore per-  
sones inhabiting within the said countie of Norfolk and citie of Nor-  
wich, that both heretofore been spinners, and maintained by spinning  
of the said wolle, be now broughte to trust a wothe, & a great man-  
bre of them enforced to begge for lacke of wothe, to the vtter decay and  
ruine of the poore people of the said Countie and Citie, and the inhabi-  
tantes thereof, whelke some remedy be therein prouyded. In considera-  
cion wherof it may please the kinges most royal maiestie, by the assent  
of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the comones in this present par-  
liamēt assembled, and by auctorite of the same, that all & every persone  
and persones dwelling and inhabiting within the said countie of Nor-  
folke and citie of Norwich, or in either of them, by his, or them selfes, or  
by his

by hit or their factours, seruants or seruantes made latefullie fro hems-  
 south without prync forsaith or, damager, or brache of any laue or or-  
 dinance, to buye and bargain wolles, and take and make prouision to  
 buye or bargain wolles growyng, or that shal grow only within the said  
 countie of Norfolk, in as large and like manner and fowme as the same  
 inhabytantes within the said countie & Citie might and did be to do,  
 before the making of the said acte of Parliament, & as the said acte of  
 Parliament had neuer been had or made, so that the same person and  
 persons so buyyng or bargaining, or making prouise to buye or bargain  
 the said wolles, do sell or resell the same againe in the common mar-  
 ket, or other open place within the said countie of Norfolk or Citie of  
 Norwich, to any persone or persones at their pleasure and libertie that  
 will be the same, or any part thereof dwelling and inhabiting within  
 the said countie and cite of Norwich, or any of them, that shal or will  
 spinne the same within the said countie of Norfolk, and Citie of Nor-  
 wich, or any of them: the said former acte, or any article, clause or sen-  
 tence therein contained, or any other acte or actes, laue, or ordinance  
 heretofore made, to the contrarie thereof in any wise notwithstanding.  
 And where in the Parliament holden at Westminster the xxxiii. yere  
 of the reigne of our said late Soueraine Lorde the Kinge, it was e-  
 mongst other thinges enacted thus, an enactyng, or like in effect, that is  
 to saie, that no persone or persones from hemsouth, shoulde buye, ne  
 cause to be boughte within the said Citie of Norwich, or Countie of  
 Norfolk, any yarne, spinne of the cocke, called woollsted yarne, the  
 whiche shoulde then after that be spinne within the said Countie or cite  
 but such persone or persones beinge wevers of woollsted, Russels, Sta-  
 mine, Soies, and suche other like clothes, within the said Citie or  
 Countie, that shoulde weue or worke, or cause to be wooven or brought  
 in woollsted, Stamine, Russelles, Soies, or suche other like clothes,  
 the said yarne so bought or caused to be bought within the said Citie  
 or Countie, in the Citie of Norwich, or in some market towne within  
 the said Countie: upon the prync and forsaithure, for every pounce  
 wright of the said yarne called woollsted yarne, so bought within the said  
 Countie or Citie, and not woven or brought, as is aforesaid, within  
 the said Citie or countie, fourtie shillings, the one halfe thereof to be to  
 the King our Soueraine lord, & the other halfe thereof to be to him or  
 them that shoulde then after that sue for the same by bill, informaci-  
 on, Action of debte, or otherwise in any court of recorde, in which hyde  
 action bill, or informaci on, no essone, tinger of lawe, forsaith, or pro-  
 tection shoulde be allowed. And where it is also ordeined in the said acte  
 that if any persone or persones did after the first daye of Aprill then  
 next after the said acte enacting ship, or carie, or romerigh, or cause to be  
 shipped, to carie, or carie into the parties beyond the sea, or did car-  
 ry or carie into the parties beyond the sea, any yarne called woollsted



warne not made, or brought in cloth, so that such warne were spurne both in this Realme, that then every person and persones so shipping, comel-  
gling and carrying, or causing such warne so to be shipped, carried, and com-  
weighed shoulde forfeit for every pounce of Woolsted warne so ship-  
pen, comelighed, or carried .xl. s. the one halfe thereof to be to our saide sou-  
veraine Lorde the King, and the other halfe thereof to him, or them that  
shoulde sue for the same, by bill, information, or action of debte in anye of  
the Kings Courtes of Record, as in the said Acte the same, or the like in  
effecte, more plainly dooth & may appeare. And forthwith as the sayde  
acte was made and ordained to continue & endure breill the Parliament  
then after that next ensuing, & hath bene sithens by other general Actes  
continued untill this present Parliament, & was not by any of the sayde  
Actes ordeined to continue for ever. It may now please the Kinges most  
excellent maiestie, with the assent of the Lordes Spirituall & Temporall,  
& the Communes in this present Parliamente assembled, & by authori-  
tie of the same, that all the afore recited acte for warne, with all the woo-  
des, forsaithes, parties, & sentences before recited, as the same before  
recited & declared, may from henceforth be enacted to continue, & to bee  
take for an Acte to continue for ever, to all enteis & purposes, according to  
the saide woordes, sentences, & the purport thereof before in this act recited

Provided also that it shalbe lesul to every persone & persones, be-  
ing a hatte maker, or hatte makers dwelling within the said cite of Nor-  
wiche, to buye such of the saide Woolsted warne, as is called and knownen  
by the name of middle wille warne, as they and every of them have here-  
tofore done, & used to doe, so that the same middle wille warne so boughte  
by the said hatte makers, or hatte maker, be brought in hattes, or employed  
to hatmaking within the saide cite, any thing before recited, to the con-  
trary thereof notwithstanding.

#### ¶ The .viij. Chapter.

¶ In Acte for the continuance of of Actions after the  
death of any King.

**W**here the Kinges subjects heretofore have to theire greute  
costes charges and expenses prosecuted, and sued by writte  
and simple Actions, as well reall and personal, as all other  
Actions mixt or otherwhat, in the Kinges Chancery, coun-  
tes, and other courtes of record, not onely by writtes, but  
also by plainte, or billes, whiche Actions, suites, billes, & plaintes, by the  
death, or demise of the Kinges of this realme, have bene discontinued, &  
the parties in every such Actions, suites, billes, & plaintes, thereby have  
bene put without lawe, whereby the demandours, plaintives, and ac-  
tors in every such action and sute were compelled and driven by the  
order of the lawes of this realme, for theire further remedy, to commence  
& begin againe his, or their saide Actions, suites, or plaintes, or els to pro-  
secute, & sue recommones, amercementes, Bench facias, or suche other like,

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processe to reuue his or their said actions, suites, or plaintes whiche long  
not onely to their great costes, charges, expenses, hinderances, and de-  
laye of their causes and suits, but also a greate let & hinderance of ju-  
stice, for reformation wherof her is ordeined established, and enacted by  
the King our soueraigne Lord, & the Lordes and Commons in this pre-  
sent Parliament assembled and by the authoritye of the same, that from  
henceforth by the death or demise of the Kinges whiche that now is,  
whiche yet shall be, or whiche hereafter shall be, he and his heires shall  
not in any wise be discontinued, or put without daye: But that the  
processe pcesse demurres and continuances in every action, actions,  
suites, billes, or plaintes whiche now, or that hereafter shall depende, shall  
stand good and effectfull, and be professed and sved forth in such ma-  
ner and forme, and in the same estate, condition and order, as if the same  
King had liued, or continued in full life, the death or demise hereafter of  
any King of this Realme notwithstanding. And that all and all manner  
of iudicial processe that hereafter shall be had, or pursued in the time of  
the reigne of any other King then reigned at the time of the pursuite of the  
original, or other former processe, shall be made in the name of the King,  
that for the time shall reigne, and be King of this Realme, and that va-  
riance touching the same processe, betwene the names of the Kinges,  
shall not be in any wise material, as concerning any defaulte to be al-  
leged, or objected therfore.

And also be it further established and enacted by the authoritye afore-  
said, that every Assise of novel disseisin, assise of mortmain, assise of  
mortmain, & attaint, which at any time hereafter shall be returned, returned  
or sued before any of the Kinges Justices of assise, shall not from hence-  
forth be discontinued, or put without day, by reason of death, newe com-  
mission, association, or not coming of the same Justices of assise, or any  
of them, but shall stande good & effectfull in the lawe, to all intents, con-  
structions and purposes, the death, newe commission, association, or not com-  
ing of the same Justices, or any of them, in any wise notwithstanding.

And also be it established and enacted by the authoritye afore-  
said, that albeit any demurment, or plainte in any matter of action, bill,  
or suite, shall for some time to be made, or created, by the King, Duke, Mar-  
quis, Earle, Viscount, Baron, Bishop, Iudge, Justice of the one bench,  
or of the other, or by any other at lawe, depending the same action, bill, or  
suite, yet that notwithstanding that no best action, or suite, shall for some  
cause in any wise be able to be shewed, but that wherein in the same  
goodwill, and strength as the same was before any lawe, or stage, so  
the contrary, it shall be as before.

And also be it established and enacted by the authoritye afore-  
said, that

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albeit any person, or persons being Justice of assise, Justice of Gaole deliuerie: or Justice of peace within anye of the Kinges dominions, or being in any other of the Kinges Commissions whatsoever, shal fortune to be made, or created Duke, Archibishop, Marques, Earle, Viscount, Baron, Bishop, knight, Justice of thone bench, or of the other, or sergeant at lawe, or Schier, yet that notwithstanding be, & they shal remain iustice & commissioner, & haue full power & authoritie to execute the same, in lyke manner & forme, as he, or they might, or ought to haue don before & same.

And be it ordeined and enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that in all cases where any person, or persons heretofore haue beene, or hereafter shalbe founde guiltye of any manner of treason, murder, manslaughter, rape, or other felony what so ever, for the which iudgement of death shoulde, or may ensue, and shalbe reppied to prison without iudgement at that tyme geuen against him, her, or them so founde guiltye, that those persones that at any tyme hereafter shal by the Kinges letters Patentes bee assigned Justices to deliuer the Gaole, where any suche person, or persones founde guiltye shal remaine, shal haue full power and authoritie to geue iudgement of death against suche persone so founde guiltye, and reppied, as the same iustices beinge to whom such person, or persones was, or were found guiltye might haue done, if their commission of Gaole deliuerie had remained and continued in full force and strength. And ower that, that no manner of proceste, or suit made, sued, or had before anye Justices of Assise, gaole deliuerie, Oyer and terminer, iustice of peace, or other of the Kinges commissioners, shal, ne in any wise be discontinued by the making & publishing of any newe commission or associatio, or by altering of the names of the iustices of assise, gaole deliuerie, Oyer and terminer, iustices of peace, or other the Kinges commissioners, but that the newe iustices of assise, Gaole deliuerie, and of the peace, and other Commissioners may procede in every behalfe, as if the olde commissions, and Justices, and commissioners had still remained and continued not altered.

### ¶ The viii. Chapter.

¶ An Acte for the confirmation of letters Patentes.

 Here the Kinges most excellent highnesse when the xxviii. daie of Iannarie, in the first yere of his Maiesties reigne, aswell vpon diuerse and sundrie good considerations, his Maiestie specially mouing, as also otherwise, haue bargained, sold, exchanged, geuen, resloved, and graunted by his graces several letters Patentes, indentures, or other writings sealed vnder his highnesse greate Seale of Englande, the Seale of his Duchie of Lancastrie, & the seale of the Courte of Augmentacion, & the Remenues of his Crowne, or any of them, as wel to bodies politike and corporate, as to diuerse and sundrie of his loving and obediende subiectes, diuerse and sundrie honours, castles, maners, landes, tenementes, reues, reuercions, seruises, performances appoynted, aduouours, &c.

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fines, oblations, pensions, portions, franchises, privileges, liberties, and  
 other hereditaments, commodities & profits in fee simple, fee tail,  
 for terme of life, or years, or for terme of years as in the same general let-  
 ters patents, indentures and other writings is mentioned & declar-  
 ed: In avoiding, disturbing, hurting, or hindering of the said severall  
 letters patents, indentures and other writings and of the said ma-  
 jours landes tenementes hereditamentes and other things in them  
 contained, and many ambiguities, doubts, and questions here,  
 or might hereafter happen to be moved, objected, alleged, inserted, pro-  
 duced, or thereto, as well for maintaining, maintaining, or more rectifall of any  
 of the same Honours, castles, manours, landes tenementes, and other  
 the premises, or any parcell thereof, or for lacke of surveying of offices, or  
 inquisitions, of and in the premises, whereby the title of the saynges  
 highnes therein ought to have bene found before the making of the same  
 letters patents, or other writings, or for misrecital, or more rectifall of  
 leases thereof before made, as well of record as not of record, or for lacke  
 of the certificate, making, rating, or setting forth of the yearly values  
 and rates of the premises, or of the yearly rentes reserved, of and for the  
 premises, or any parcell thereof mentioned, or contained in any of the said  
 letters patents, or other writings, or for that the premises bee, or any  
 parte thereof is valued to a more, or lesse value in the said letters pa-  
 tentes, or writings, then the said Honours, manours, landes tenementes  
 and other the premises then were, or shalbe in yearly value, or for  
 maintaining of the Courtes hundredes parishes, or counties, where the  
 same Honours, castles, manours, landes tenementes, rentes, heredi-  
 tamentes and other the premises and every parcell thereof, or any parcell  
 thereof lie, or bee, or for lacke of the true naming of the natures, kin-  
 des, sorts, and quantities of the said possessions, or hereditamentes, or  
 any parcell thereof, or for lacke of the true naming of the corporation of  
 the same bodies politique, or corporate, or for lacke of attornment, li-  
 verie, or feason, or for maintaining of any of the said tenants, or sermons  
 of the same premises so sold, given, granted, or exchanged, as for dy-  
 vers and sundrie other suggestions and humbles, not comprised in the  
 said letters patents, which hereafter might happen to be moved, hur-  
 ried, or produced against the same letters patents, for remedy & re-  
 formation whereof he is ordered and enacted by the kinges most excel-  
 lent highnes, with consent of the Lordes Spiritual & Temporal & of  
 commons in this present Parliamente assembled & by sheweth of the  
 same, that as well as every the said letters patents, indentures, & other  
 writings, & every of them sealed with, or under the seale or seales above  
 named, or any of them made, or granted by the kinges highnes, within  
 the xxviii day of January last past, as also all and singular his graces  
 letters patents, indentures and other writings hereafter, during his  
 highnes life, which our Lorde long continue to be had, made, or grant-  
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res both, or under any of the seals aboutsaide, to any bodie politique, or  
 compaign, or to any other person, or persones of anye Honours, castelles,  
 manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, truerions, sernces, personages,  
 dignes, pensions, portions, advowsons, nominations, presentations, fraun-  
 chises, liberties, and other hereditamentes, commodities, possessions, and  
 profitures, of what kinde, nature, or qualite soever they, or any of the be,  
 is, or shalbe, or by whatsoever name, or names they, or anye of them be,  
 is, or shalbe named, known, or reputed, that stand and be taken, reputed,  
 & taken good, sure, perfecte, effectual, & available in the lawe, duringe  
 & statutes in them limited and specified, to all intents, respects, con-  
 structions, and purposes against the King his heire, & successors, without  
 any confirmation, licence, dispensacion, or tolleracion of the King his  
 heire, or successors: any the causes or matters about mentioned con-  
 tained, or hereafter duringe his sayd highnesse life to be continued, had, or  
 made in any suche letters, Patentes, indentures, or other writings by  
 King our Souveraine loide to, & contrary in any wise notwithstanding  
 provided alwaies, that this Act, ne any thing therein contained, shal not  
 in any wise extende to revive, or make good any letters, Patentes made  
 of any office, or offices to any comptroller, customers, alieges, or stracher,  
 ne to any letters, Patentes of the graunte of any other office, or offices  
 heretofore graunted, or made by our said Souveraine Loide the King  
 whiche now is, or be, or at any time heretofore have bene admichelated,  
 determined, or made holde by iudgement, by authoritie of Parliamente  
 or decree, nor to any patent to be made to any person or persons for terme  
 of yeres, or during the minoritye of an heire, or, or in any manours, lides,  
 or tenementes, wherof any traucte hereafter shalbe tendred within thre  
 monethes after any office founde and certified into anye of the Kinges  
 Courtes of Recorde, ne to any leases, or grauntes of any manours, lan-  
 des, or tenementes of our said Souveraine Lordes hereafter to be made  
 under anye of the Seales of the Courtes aforesaide, contrary to & limi-  
 tacion, ordinance, provision, establishment, and authoritie of the same  
 courtes, any thing in this Act contained to the Contrari notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted, that this Act, ne any thing therein  
 contained shal not extende to make any letters, patentes of any office,  
 or offices, to be of any other effecte, force, or strength, then the same letters  
 Patentes were, or shoulde have bene, from the making of this Act.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that  
 al and singular suche patentes, grauntes, howes, as anye time hereaf-  
 ter during the life of our said Souveraine Lord (whiche almightie God  
 long preserve) shal feature to have, or obayne any Castelles, manours,  
 landes, tenementes, dignes, pensions, portions, or other hereditamentes  
 of the gift, graunt, lide, or exchange of the Kinges Maestie, or of the  
 only gift of the Kinges Maestie, of his most liberall disposicion, and  
 not holde, whiche at the day of the date of the letters, Patentes thereof

made, shalbe of more, or better petye value to the King in petye rents and terme, then shalbe contained, mentioyned, and specified in any suche letters patentis, and particulars thereof made by the particular Shew-velour, or Shewvelours thereof, and in such bill, or bills, as shalbe signed and sealed with the hande, or hands of the patentee, or patentees thereof to be exhibited to the Kinges Maieste. or his Officer, or Officers, with- in halfe yere the said manours, landes, and tenementes, and other the premisses, or any parte thereof shalbe, or within any of them, whiche bill shalbe signed, sealed, had, and made, as is abovesaid, before any bill shalbe therof signed by the Kinges Maieste, that then every of the said patentees, grantees, and donors, their heires, executors, and admi- nistrators within one yere next after last pouse, and decrees thereof made and had in the court, within halfe yere the same chancelles, manours, landes, tenementes, & other the premisses, or any part thereof, before the said giftes and grantees were, shal content and pay to the King for the same overplus, and more value of the same manours, lites, tenementes, lites, pensions, poables, and other hereditamentes to him sold, or exchanged, after such rate, as other landes, and tenementes were before to him sold, or exchanged, and for the overplus and more value of such landes and tenementes as shal happen to be given by the Kinges Maieste, and not sold, as is abovesaid, the said patentee, his heires, executors, or administrators shal content and pay to the King after the rate of twentie petyes purchase, so that the same pouse, and de- cree be had, and made in manner and forme abovesaid, within .x. yeres next after the date of p said letters patentis.

**Chapter the .iiij.**  
**In Acte for the building of certain churches within the cite of York.**

**W**here in the ancient cite of York and suburbs of the same, there are many parishes churches, whiche heretofore the same being well inhabited and replenished with people, were good and honest livinges for learned Prebendaries, by reason of the prime siting of the same Marchauntes, & of the offerings of a great multitude, which livinges to now so muche decayed by the ruine and decaye of the said cite, and of the trade of mar- chauntes there, that the revenues and profits of divers of the same benefices are at this present not above the cleere petye value of .xxlii. s. but so that a grente sort of them are not a competent and honest living for a good curate, yet, and no person will take the cure, but that of neces- sitye there is some chauncerie thole, or elles some late religious persone being a superfluous taken and appointed to the said cure and benefice, whiche for the most parte are illlearned, and verie ignorant persons, notable to doe anye parte of their duties: By reason whereof the said cite is not anye replenished with blinde guides and pashours, but also the



the people muche kepte in ignorance, as well of their duties towardes  
God, as also towardes the Kinges Maiestie, and the common wealthe of  
this Realme, and to the greate daunger of their soules: In consideration  
whereof, and for the better relief and order of the said cite, it maye please  
the Kinges Maiestie by thasseint of the Lordes Spirituall & Temporal  
and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by thauthor-  
crite of the same, that from henceforth it shalbe lawfull to the Mayor, &  
Recorder of the said cite, & to the Ordinarie or his Deputie, & vi. Justices  
of peace in the said cite, to unite & knit together the said parishes into  
fewer number, that is to witte, so many of the said parishes into one Pa-  
rish, as to them shalbe thought convenient to be a living for one benefice  
incumbent, so the cleare yerely value of one parish exceede not xx. li. by  
yere, and so to be made through the said cite and suburbs of the same.  
And that it shalbe lefull for the said Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen  
to pull downe the Churches whiche they shall thinke superfluous in the  
said cite and suburbs of the same, and to bestowe the same towardes the  
reparacions and enlargements of the other Churches of the bridges in  
the said cite, and to the relief of the poore people. And further, that the  
said Mayor, Recorder, Ordinarie, or his Deputie, and, vi. Justices of  
peace being Aldermen shall all yte and appoint the presentment and pa-  
tronage of the Church so united to the patrons of all the Churches, to  
be knit in one parish, that they maye make their presentmentes by turne,  
every one according to their quantite of his former patronage.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that  
all such incumbentes of the churches aforesaide, that shalbe put downe by  
vertue of this acte, shall have the yerely value of their benefices after  
the rate they doe paye tenthes during their lives, so they will doe service  
therefore in the church appointed for the paye the church, according to  
their former duties: And if they refuse to serve, then they only during  
their lives to have the thirde parte of the value as is aforesaide, & to be  
paid at the houses of the incumbent of the parish church to be appointed.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the in-  
cumbentes of every such church whiche by vertue of this Acte shalbes  
made and ordeined for the parish church, & wherunto anye other pa-  
rish, or parishes shalbe united, shall after the union therof, yerely paye  
the tenthes to be due for the same to the Kinges Maiestie, his heires &  
successours of the same church, and of al other churches therunto uni-  
ted & annexed. And the said incumbentes of the parish church so uni-  
ted to have his allowance of the incumbentes of the churches so united  
therunto during their severall lives according to the rate and portion of  
the churches so united, as shalbe assigned by the abovesaide persones, ha-  
ving authoritie by this Acte to unite the same. And the successours & he-  
res of every such incumbent of every such church, as shall bee made  
the parish church, & wherunto any church or parish shall bee united

by force of this Act, shall give or compromise for the next fructus thereof at every annual time before his entrance to the same according to such yearly value as such Church or Churches or houses under a Parson's Church and vicarage any Church or churches, Parsonage or Parson's house united by force of this Act, shall be at the time of the union thereof, and as it had been of such yearly value at the time of making of the Statute for next fructus and tithes, and of no greater value any additions, debts, or loans to the contrary notwithstanding.

**Chapter.**

**In Act for exigents and proclamations in Wales and in the County Palatine of Chester, & also in the title of Chester.**

**W**here in the high Court of Parliament holden at Westminster the xxv. year of the most prosperous reign of the late famous King Henry the eight by the assent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, & the commons assembled in the said high Court of Parliament: it was enacted and established by authority of the same Parliament that his highness Dominon and principalitie of Wales and of manerous landes, tenementes and other dominions within the said Dominion and principalitie of Wales, should be divided into severall Shiers or Counties, that is to saye, the Shiers or counties of Glamorgan, Glamour, Brecknock, Llanerthen, Penbroke, Cardigan, Merioneth, Montgomery, Flint, Carmarthen, Anglese, & Denbigh, in every of which said counties & shiers, amongst the officers yearly appointed it was then ordained that there should be distinct and severall Shieriffes yearly, & also where the counties Palatine of Chester and of the title of Chester be awarded and severall counties Palatine of Chester in all which said counties the Kinges writte hath not, nor yet hath not runne: So that the proclamation awarded upon any exigent against any persons, or persons, in any action wherein proccesse of outlawrie dothe lie according to the Statute made in the vi. year of the reign of the said late King, shall be directed unto the Shieriff or Shieriffes of any of the said Shiers or counties, but into the Shieriffes of the county next adjoining: So that the parties dwelling in any of the said Shiers or counties adjacent, to have any such exigent and proclamation made to awarded, shall not nor can have any knowledge of the same save as place be by reason whereof many of the persons inhabiting in the said Shiers and counties without knowledge, or cause of suite, have been wrongfully and lawlesly seized to their litters landes. Be it therefore, & for divers other good considerations by the King our Sovereign Lorde with the assent of the Lords Spiritual & Temporal, and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, & by the authority of the same enacted, ordained and established, that if and whensoever any writ of exigent at any time after the said date of April next coming shall be awarded at the suite of the King, or of any other person,



of person's plaintiffe, or plaintiffe, in any action or suite in any of the  
 courtes of our saide Sovereigne lord the King, his heirs or successors  
 commonly called the Kinges Bench, and the common place, against a  
 ny person, or persones, dwelling in any of the aforesaid counties in Wa-  
 les, or in the said counties Palatine of Chester, or the cite of Chester, or  
 in any of them that then immediately upon the awarding of every suche  
 exigent the Justice or Justices before whome any suche writte of exigent  
 upon suche suite, or action shalbe sued, shall have full power and authori-  
 tie to awarde one writte of Proclamation according to the tenour and ef-  
 fecte of Proclamacions awarded upon exigentes directed out of any of  
 the said Courtes in London against any person dwelling in any other  
 Shire, where the Kinges writ is current, according to the order and  
 forme of the saide Sovereigne writte in the .vi. yere of the saide late King to  
 be directed to suche of the aforesaid Shierres of any of the aforesaid coun-  
 ties in Wales, & of the counties Palatine of Chester, and of the Cite of  
 Chester for the time being where it shall happen the said defendante, a-  
 gainst who any such action shalbe sued, as is aforesaid to be dwelling.  
 And that every such writte of Proclamation shall have the same trespasse & daye  
 of returne, as the exigentes wherupon in every such writte of Proclamation  
 shalbe awarded, shall have: And that every such Shierre to whom any  
 such writte of Proclamation shalbe directed, shall make Proclamation of  
 the said writte of proclamation according to the tenour of the same, & shall  
 make true returne of the same in suche Court, & before suche Justices as  
 the tenour of the same writte shall require & demande. And that all writtes  
 hereafter to be promulged, or pronounced against any person, or per-  
 sons upon any such exigent, or exigentes awarded against any persone  
 or persones, dwelling in any of the said counties of Wales, & the counties  
 Palatine of Chester, & of the cite of Chester, and no writte of Proclama-  
 tion awarded in forme aforesaid, to the Shierre, or Shierres of the coun-  
 tie where the partie defendante shalbe, as is aforesaid dwelling, or not  
 returned to be clerely made, and of none effecte, nor force in the lawe.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all & every  
 Shierre and Shierres of every of the saide counties of Wales, and of  
 the counties Palatine of Chester, and of the Cite of Chester aforesaid  
 shall have in every of the saide Courtes of the Kinges Bench, and of the  
 Common place, one sufficient Deputy at the least, to receive all writtes  
 directed to suche the Shierre, or Shierres, for whom the same Deputy  
 or Deputies shalbe appointed, in like manner and forme, and upon like  
 penes, as by the former Statutes & lawes of this realme other Shires  
 & of other Shires, or counties within this realme of Englande be used  
 to have, in either of the saide courtes: and that all writtes of procla-  
 mation aforesaid shalbe delivered unto every such Deputy or Deputies  
 in the same Courtes, and also like fees shalbe paid for making every  
 suche writte of proclamation, and for enrolling the same of Record, as is

limited

limited in the said Statute made in the thirtieth year of the reign of our said late Sovereign Lord King Henry the eight.

And he is further enacted by the authorities aforesaid that if any person dwelling in any of the said counties of Wales, after the aforesaid first day of April shall be outlawed in any suite, or action whatsoever, that does touch or special Capias or legal single Capias or legal, or outlawed, and all other process, for or against any persons outlawed, shall or move from that time be directed to the Sheriff of any of the said counties in Wales, as immediate officers to the king's said courts of the King's bench, or common place in that behalf: and that every such writ may be delivered of record to the deputy of such of the said Sheriffs, to whom any such writ, or process shall be directed, & that every such Sheriff shall make execution and return of every such writ or process so him directed, upon like pain and penalty, as is above limited.

And he is further enacted & established that if any such writ, or writs of Proclamation hereafter directed to any of the Sheriffs of any of the said Shires in Wales, or counties Palatine of Chester, or of the city of Chester be delivered unto any of the said Sheriffs for the time being, or to his or their Deputy, in manner & form aforesaid: & if some Sheriff or Sheriffs do not make true return of every such writ or writs of Proclamation into such courts & counties out of which the said writ or writs of Proclamation shall be awarded: that for every such fault of non return, every such Sheriff for the time being shall lose and forfeit h. s. the one half thereof shall be to our Sovereign Lord the King his heirs and successors: the other half to any such person or persons as will sue for the same in an action of debt grounded upon this Act, in any of the King's Courts of Record, to begin no effence, protection, or wages of law shall be allowed, or admitted.

Provided always this Act, or any thing therein contained shall not in any wise extend, as he prohibited to the same counties of Wales, or to the said counties Palatine of Chester, or of the city of Chester, for or concerning such ancient franchises, or privileges, as belong to them, or any of them, or to any ministers, or officers of them, or any of them, or thereto, as in any other manner, then by the true meaning of this Act is before provided and declared any thing in this Act mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Enacted always, and he is enacted by the authorities aforesaid, that this Act, or any thing therein contained shall not in any wise be prejudicial, or lawful to any Lord or lord in Wales, but that they and every of them and their heirs and the heirs of every of them shall and may have and exercise their full and perfect power, as they and every of them had, might, or ought to have had before the making of this Act: and although this Act hath never been had or made any thing in this Act mentioned to the contrary in any just notwithstanding.



## The ii. Chapter.

An Acte for the repeale of a certaine statute made in the xxviii. yere of the reigne of the late King of most famous memorie Henry the. viii. for reuoking of Actes of Parliamente.

**W**HERE in the Parliament begunne at Westmynster the xxviii. yere of the reigne of the late King of famous memorie Henry the. viii. it was enacted by the authoritie of the said Parliamente that the Imperiall crowne of this Realme after the decease of the said late King should descend come or remaine to the heires of our said late Soueraigne Lord & to any persone to be limited by his highnes: as of very right it must and ought to doe according to the lawes of this Realme established for the same the said heires or such persone being within thage of xxiii. yeres: & that then any Acte or Actes of Parliamente shoulde happen to be made or established in any Parliament that then shoulde be holde before such heire or heires persone or persones then being in possession of the said crowne shoulde be of their full ages of xxiii. yeres that then every such heire or heires of our said late Soueraigne Lord or such persone so possessed of the crowne being within the same age of xxiii. yeres: shoulde have full power and authoritie at all times after they shoulde come to their said full ages of xxiii. yeres by their letters patentes under the great Seale of England to reuoke aduoke & repeale all and singularliche Actes made or established by their roiall assentes in any Parliamente holden during y time that they were within their said age of xxiii. yeres: theire roiall assentes had to the same during the time that they were within the said age of xxiii. yeres or any Acte or Actes the valuer to be made to the contrary thereof notwithstanding And it was also enacted by the authoritie aforesayde that every such repeale aduokation & reuocation of any Acte or Actes that shoulde be made made established in any Parliamente holden before the time that such heire or person possessed of the crowne shoulde be of the said age of xxiii. yeres shoulde be as good and effectual to all intents & purposes as though it had bene done by the authoritie of Parliamente as in the said Acte is more plainly declared: Sothe the making of which statute it hath pleased almightie GOD to take into his mercie our said late Soueraigne Lord King Henry the. viii. our now most gracious & deare Soueraigne here longe King Edward the. vi. his sonne & heire whose life shal long & flourish: now being aboute the age of x. yeres and under the age of xi. yeres during whose minoritye as the common wealthe of his highnes Realme of Englande & Irelande and of all the dominions and countreys of the same is and wille necessarily ought to be provided for instructed and preferred: so as in the natural due of every good true and loving subiecte: to applye him selfe with al his power and diligence to shewe auerue and please by al lawes meanes and maners for the consideration of the same. And for asmuche

asmuche as for the preservation of the roiall estate of our said sovereign  
 Lorde the King that now is, the safe garde and surety of his most roiall  
 persone, & for the good tranquillite, quietnes rest, and peace of his sayde  
 Realme, countie, Dominion and shires, wholl wholsome lawes  
 & statutes are to be made, & established & provided, as also some lawes  
 and statutes to be repealed & annulled as the case shall require, accordig  
 to the disposition of the people, which cannot take anye good effecte, or  
 successe without actes & provisions of Parliament to bee made, before  
 their ages of xxiii. yeres. And for that it shoulde come unto all men, that  
 the good intention, meaning and purpose of the said late King, and of his  
 mothers of the said Realme, was not, that good and wholsome lawes  
 which shoulde be made, provided and ordained for the good government  
 of the Realme and Dominions above said, during the the time that any  
 King of this Realme shoulde be within his age of xxiii. yeres, shoulde  
 fro the time of the bestrait of the mother, or progenitor of any such  
 King within the age of xxiii. yeres, at the time of the death of the sayde  
 ancestor, or progenitor, until the age of xxiii. yeres, of any such  
 King, be made, denied and annulled to be holde by any such letters pa-  
 tentes to all intents and purposes, as though they never had been made  
 but that the said Acts, and every of them, and all, and every thing, and  
 thinges therein committed, done, & altered, or executed by authority of  
 the same, shoulde be good, accomplishe, and perfite in the lawe: And that the  
 said revocation, annullacion, & repeale, shoulde be taken to make void  
 the said actes, and every of them such, from the time of the said revo-  
 cation annullacion and repeale, & noe otherwise: The contrary exten-  
 mente and exposition wherof might otherwise, not onliche discourage all  
 subiectes during that time, and those yeres, to endeavour themselves, to  
 and for the avoiding, serving, securing, and conserving to the making of  
 good and wholsome lawes, but also shoulde make the sayde subiectes to  
 avoide and shunne themselves to live for that time, under no manner of  
 certaintie, or assurance of any positive lawe, or statute during that time  
 to be made, or provided: Be it therefore enacted, by the Kings our Sou-  
 veraigne Lorde, with the assent of the Lordes spiritual & Temporal, and  
 the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, & by the authori-  
 zite of the same, that the said Act of Parliament above recited made in  
 the said xxiii. yeres of the reigne of the said late King, & every other  
 article, clause, matter, sentence, and thinge therein specified & contained,  
 shall by authority of this present Parliamente, bee, to all intents, con-  
 structions, and purposes, utterly to be annulled, repealed, and of none  
 effecte, & as though the same had never been had or made. And wher-  
 to the extent the Kinges our said Sovereign Lorde may have po-  
 wer, authority, prerogative and prerogative as his full age of xxiii.  
 yeres, or at any time after, at his libertie and pleasure to repeal all sta-  
 tutes and Actes of Parliament, after made in this present Parliament



as hereafter in any other Parliament to be holden, before he shal accom-  
plishe the said age of. xliij. yerres, to be made or ordeyned according to  
the true intent and meaning of the makers of the sayde former statute.  
Be it further ordeyned and enacted by chauncerie of this present Par-  
lament, that our said soueraigne lord the king, that now is, at hys full  
age of. xliij. yerres, or at any tyme after, and all and every heire and hei-  
res of the said late king, and other persone and persones, to whom the  
Imperial crowne of this realme shal hereafter descend, come, or remain  
by thappoyntment of the said late king, in that case prouyded and made,  
then being within the age of. xliij. yerres, shal haue full power and au-  
thorite, by vertue of this present acte, at all tymes, after he, or they shal  
come to his, or their full age of. xliij. yerres, by his, or their letters paten-  
tes, vnder the great seale of Englands, to repeale all and singular acte  
and actes, or any of them, as he, or shalbe made, or established by hys, or  
their royall assentes in any Parliament holden, or to be holden, during  
the tyme that he, or they was, were, or shalbe, within þ said age of. xliij.  
yerres, other then this present act of Parliament and other then all par-  
dons graunted and to be graunted within the said seuerall ages of. xliij.  
yerres, by auctorite of Parliament, so that the same repeale be made and  
used in maner and fourme hereafter folowing, that is to say, that every  
such letters patentes of repeale shal conteyne all such actes, as shalbe  
repealed, and shalbe solemnely & openly proclaimed in the kinges courte  
of Chancerie, betwene the houres of. vi. &. xi. before noone at thre seue-  
rall daies, in every of two of the. iiii. thial termes to be holden at West-  
minster, or els where within this realme of England, and also one tyme  
in every countie of this realme, and in Wales, at the seuerall Assises to  
be holden in the same seuerall counties, betwene like houres, and that  
then after. xi. daies next after such proclamation, in all and every place  
and countie aboue said, so had and made, the said letters patentes of  
repeale to take their force, strength and effect, and not before, or from a-  
ny other tyme or season, nor in any other maner or fourme. And that all  
and every such acte and actes, as wel made in this Parliament, as here-  
after to be made, within the sayed age of. xliij. yerres, of our souereygne  
Lord the kinges maiestie that now is, as in the tyme of any of the sayed  
heire or heires, or other the said persone or persones then being in pos-  
session of the Imperial crowne of this realme, & vnder the age of. xliij.  
yerres, shalbe good and effectuell to all intentes, constructions and pur-  
poses, until the said letters patentes of repeale, proclamacions, and  
xi. daies shalbe so had made, runne, and pass, and that all and every act  
and actes, thing and thinges, used, had, committed, doen, suffered, or exe-  
cuted by the auctorite, of the said acte or actes, or anye of them, within  
any of the said ages of. xliij. yerres, according to the purport, tenor, and  
effect of the said act or actes, or any of them, shalbe good and effectuell  
for ever, the said repeale so to be made, in any wise notwithstanding.

that all and every persone and persones, bodies politique and corporate, shall and may by the authoritie of this present acte, from tyme to tyme, aswell after the sayd repeale as before, pleade, or allege, for his or their defence, excuse, indemnite, profite, benefite, or advantage, all and every suche act or actes, or any of them so revoked, abroiled, or repealed, or to be revoked, abroiled, or repealed, for concerning, or in any wise touching any thing or thynges had, bid, granted, suffered, possessed, committed, doen or accrued by chauntyrie, sufferance, or force of the said acte and actes, or any of them before the revocation, abroilation, or repealing of the same, in suche and as ample manner and fourme, as if the said acte and actes so to be revoked, abroiled, or repealed and every of them, had stand in hys and the full strength, force, and effect, and as if the said act or actes had never been revoked, abroiled, or repealed: any thing in such repeale contained, notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, and be it also ordeyned and enacted by chauntyrie aforesaid, that no kyng, nor kynges of this realme, shall have authoritie, power, or prerogative to repeale any acte of Parliament or statute, þ shall be made in the tyme of any kyng, before the said age of xxiiij. yeres, other then such as be, or shall be made in his owne tyme: any thing above mentioned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Act for the repeale of certain statutes, concerning treasons, felonies, &c. The .xii. Chapter.



Nothing being more godlye, more sure, more to bee wished and desired betwixt a prince, the supreme head and ruler, and the subiectes, whose governour and head he is, then on the princes parte, great clemencie and indulgencie, and rather to make forgiveness and remission of hys royall power and iuste punishment, then exact severitie and iustice to be shewed and on the subiectes behalf that they shoulde obey rather for love, and for the necessitie and love of a kyng and prince, then for feare of his strenght, and severe lawes: yet suche times at some tyme cometh in the common wealth that it is necessary and expedient, for the repelling of the insolencie and brutelines of men, and for the foreseeing and providing of remedies against rebellion, insurrection, or suche mischiefes: as god some tyme with his displeased for our punishment doeth inflict and laye upon us, or the devill at Goddes permission to assaye the good and goddes elect, both sothe, and sette enonges, the which almighty God, with hys helpe and mannes policie, hath alwayes been comit and pleased to have stayed, that shap per lawes as a harder bydle should be made, to stay those men and subiectes, that might els be occasion, cause and authors of further inconvenience, the which thing caused the prince of most famous memory, kyng Henry the eighth, father to our said sovereigne lord the kyng, and after his highnes progenitors, with the assent of the nobles and commons in divers parliaments in their severall tymes holden, to make certain

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criminations and slanders, which might seeme and appeare to men of  
 exterior realmes, a many of the kinges moste loyall subjects verye freight  
 for extreme, & terrible, although they were then, when they were made,  
 not without great consideration and pollicie, moved and established, and  
 for the tyme to the continuance of further auancement, verye expedient  
 and necessary. But as in tempest of winter, one coat, & garment is co-  
 venient in case of warme weather, & more liberrall case, of lighter gar-  
 ment, both may, and ought to be followed and used, so we have seene by  
 verye freight and forer, lawes made in one Parliament, the tyme be re-  
 quiring, in a more calm and quiet reigne of another prince, by the lyke  
 authoritye and Parliaments repealed and taken away. The which moste  
 high clemencie and royall example of his Maiesties most noble proge-  
 nitours, the kinges highnes of his tender and godly nature most genen  
 to mercy and loue of his Subiectes, willing to followe and persequing  
 the hartie and sincerest love, that his moste loving Subiectes both the lor-  
 des and commons both beare vnto his highnesse, now in this his ma-  
 jesties tender age, willing also to graunte the same thefore, and inuoluing  
 further to promote his sayed Subiectes with indulgencie and clemencie,  
 beuew on his highnesse behalf, to more loue and benygnes towards his  
 Maiestie, if it may be, and upon trust that they will not abuse the same,  
 but rather be encouraged thereby more faithfully, & with more diligence  
 (if it may bee) and care for his Maiestie, to serue his highnesse notwe in  
 this his tender age, is contented and pleased, that the severitie of certain  
 lawes here following be mitigated and remitted, be it thefore ordeined  
 and enacted by the king our soveraigne lord, with chassers of the Lor-  
 des spirituall and temporall, and of the commons in this present parliamēt  
 assembled, and by the authoritye of the same, that from henceforth, none  
 acte, dede, or offence, being by acte of Parliament or statute made treaso-  
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 or petit treason by wordes, writing, or by any dede, or otherwise, & hat-  
 soever shalbe taken, had, demed, or aduoged to bee high treason, or petit  
 treason, but onely such as be treason or petit treason, in or by the acte of  
 parliament, or statute made in the .xxv. yere of the reigne of the most no-  
 ble king of famous memory king Edward the .ij. touching, or concer-  
 nyng treason, or the declarations of treasons: & suche offences as here-  
 after shall by this present acte be expressed and declared to be treason, or  
 petit treason, and none other, nor that any peynes of death, penaltie, or  
 forfeiture in any wise shalbe, or be to any of the offenders, for the doyng  
 or committing any treason, or petit treason, other then such as be in the  
 subestance made in the said .xxv. yere of the reigne of the said king Ed-  
 ward the .ij. or by this present statute ordeined and provided any acte  
 or actes of parliament, statute or statutes, had, or made at any tyme here-  
 before, or after the sayed .xxv. yere of the reigne of the sayd late king Ed-  
 ward the .ij. or any other declaration or matter to the contrarye in  
 any wise notwithstandyng.

And also be it enacted by the authoritie aforesayed, that all actes of Parliament and Statutes touching mentioning, or in any wise concerning religion or opinions, that is to say aswell the Statute made in the first yere of the reigne of the kinges noble progenitor king Richard the seconde, and the statute made in the second yere of the reigne of king Henry the .v. and the statute also made in the .xxv. yere of the reigne of king Henry the eight, concerning punishment and reformation of Heretiques and lollardes, and every provision therein contained, and the Statute made for the abolishment of diversitie of opinions, in certain articles concerning Christian religion, commonly called the .xl. articles, made in the Parliament begunne at Westminster the .xxviii. day of April, in the .xxxi. yere of the reigne of the most noble and victorious Prince, of most famous memory king Henry the eight, father to our most dread Sovereigne lord the king that now is, and also that of parliament and statute made of the parliament begun at Westminster the .xvi. day of January in the .xxxi. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the eight, and after that proposed unto the .xxii. day of January, in the .xxxi. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the eight, touching mentioning, or in any wise concerning booke of thold and new testament in English, and the printing, setting, selling, giving, or delivering of booke, or writings, and retaining of English booke or writings, and reading, preaching, teaching, or expounding of Scripture, or in any wise touching, mentioning, or concerning any of the same matters. And also one other statute made in the parliament holden at Westminster, in the .xxv. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the eight, concerning the qualification of the statute of .xl. articles, and all and every other act or acts of parliament, concerning doctrine, or matters of religion, and all & every branch, article, sentence, and matter, peynes & forfeitures contained, mentioned, or in any wise declared, in any of the same actes of parliament, or statutes, shall from henceforth be repealed, & utterly voyde & of none effect.

And be it further ordered and enacted, by the authoritie aforesayed, that all offences made felony, by any acte or actes of parliament, statute or statutes, made within the .xxiii. day of April, in the first yere of the reigne of the sayed late king Henry the eight, not being felony before, and also all and every the branches and articles mentioned, or in any wise declared, in any of the same statutes, concerning the making of any offence or offences, to be felony, not being felony before, and all peynes and forfeitures concerning the same, or any of them, shall from henceforth be repealed, and utterly voyde and of none effect.

And be it also ordered and enacted by the authoritie aforesayed, that one act made in the parliament holden at Westminster, in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of the sayd late king Henry the eight, that proclamations made by the kinges highnesse, by the assent of his honorable counsaile, should be obeyed and kept, as though they were made by authori-

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of a parliament: and also one other act made in the parliament holden in the .xxiii. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the .viij. for the due execution of the said proclamacions, and also all & every bynde article & matter in the same statutes, & every of the mentioned or declared that from henceforth be repealed, and utterly to be and of none effect.

And be it enacted, by the authorite aforesaid, that if any persone or persones, at any time after the first day of Marche next commynge, by open preaching, expresse wordes or saynges, do affirme, or set forth, that the king, his heires or successors kinges of this realme for the time being, is not, or ought not to be supreme head in earth of the Church of England and Ireland, or any of them, immediately under God, or that the bishop of Rome, or any other person, or persons, other then the king of England for the time being is, or ought to be by the lawes of God, supreme head of the same churches, or of any of the, or that the king, his heires or successors kinges of this realme, is not, or ought not to be king of England, France and Ireland, or of anye of them: or after the sayed first day of Marche, doe compass or ymagine by open preaching, expresse wordes, or saynges, to depose or depur the king, his heires, or successors kinges of this realme, from his, or theyr real estate, or titles to, or of the realmes aforesaid, or doe openly punish, or say by expresse wordes or saynges, that any other persone, or persons, other then the king, his heires or successors kinges of this realme, of right ought to be kinges of the realmes aforesaid, or any of them, or to have and enjoy the same, or any of them: that then every such offender being thereof duly convicted, or attainted by the lawes of this realme, theyr aidors, comforters, abettors, procurours, and counsellours, for his or their such first offence, shall lose and forsaite to the king, all his and their goodes, and cattalles, and also shall have and suffer imprisonment, of his & theyr bodies, at the kinges will and pleasure. And if any persone being once convicted or attainted of anye of the sayed offences, shall after his conviction or attainder, commit or perpetrate any of the offences before mentioned, other then such as be expresse in the sayed statute, made in the said .xxi. yere of king Edward the .viij. and shall be thereof duly convicted or attainted by the lawes of this realme: that then every such offender, theyr aidors, comforters, abettors, procurours and counsellours, for his, or their said second offence or offences, shall lose and forsaite to the king, the whole issues and profits of all his & their landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, benefices, prebendes, & other spirituall promotions, for terme of life, of such offender or offenders: and shall also lose and forsaite to the king all his and their goodes and cattalles, and also suffer, during his and their lives, perpetuall imprisonment of his and their bodies. And if anye persone being two times hereafter convicted, or attainted of any of the same offences, shall after his said second conviction or attainder, commit or perpetrate again any of

the said offenders to be thereof duly convicted or attainted by the lawes and statutes of this realme: that every such third offence, or offences, shall be deemed and adjudged high treason, and the offender or offenders, the traitor or traitors, abettors, procurers, & counsellors, being therein convicted or attainted according to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shall be deemed and adjudged high traitours, and shall suffer paynes of death, and lose and forfeit all their goodes and cattelles, landes and tenementes to the king, as in case of high treason.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any person or persons, at any time after the said first day of March next coming, by writing, printing, overt deed, or acte, doe affirme or sette forth, that the king of this realme for the time being, is not, or ought not to be supreme head in earth of the church of England and Ireland, or of any of the churches immediately under him: or shall, by writing, printing, overt deed, or acte, after the said first day of March, affirme or set forth, that the bishop of Rome, or any other person or persons, other then the king of Englande for the time being is, or ought to be by the lawes of God or otherwise, the supreme head in earth of the same churches, or of any of them: or do after the said first day of March, compass or imagine by writing, printing, overt deed, or acte, to depose or deprive the king, his heires or successors kinges of this realme, from his, or their roiall estate, or titles of the king of Englande, France, and Ireland, or of any of them: or by any writing, printing, overt deed, or acte, do affirme, that any other person or persons, other then the king, his heires and successors is, or of right ought to be king of the realmes of Englande, France, or Ireland, or to have and enjoy the same, or any of them: that then every such offence and offences shall be deemed and adjudged high treason, and the offender or offenders, their aidours, comforters, abettors, procurers and counsellors therein convicted or attainted according to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shall be deemed and adjudged high traitours, and shall suffer paynes of death, and lose and forfeit all their goodes and cattelles, landes and tenementes, to the king, as in case of high treason.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this statute, or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extende to repell, annulle, or make frustrate or boyde, any acte or actes of parliament, statute or statutes made, concerning the counterfeiting, or forging of any of the coynes of this realme, or for the copie of any other realme or realmes, current within this realme, or for clipping, washing, or filling any of the said coynes, or for, or concerning the bringing into this realme, of counterfeit money, or coynes, to any statute made in the xxij. yere of the sayed late king Henry the eight, concerning the false forging and counterfeiting of the kinges signes, signet, private signet, or private seale, ne to their counsellours, procurers, aidours, & abettours, nor to any article or articles, concerning the same offences, or any



any of them, contained in the same Statutes, or any of them, nor be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any the heires of the king our said sovereign lord that now is, or any persone or persones, to whom the crowne and dignite of this realme is limited and appointed by act of parliament, made in the xxix. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the eight, by the behest of any of them, at any time hereafter, usurpe the one of them upon the other, in the crowne of this realme, or demande, challenge, or claime the same, otherwise, or in any other fourme, or degree of dissent, or succession, or in any other course, fourme, degree, or condition, but only in such manner and fourme, as is declared by the said statute, or if any of the said heires, or persons aforesaid, do interrupt, or let the kinges highnesse that now is, peaceably & quietly to kepe, haue, and enjoy the said imperiall crowne: that then, all and singular the officers, their aldermen, councillors, abbettors, procurors, and counsaillours the rein, shalbe demed and adjudged high traitors, and shall suffre and incurre the peynes of deathe, losse and forfeitures, as is afore said, in cases of high treason.

And it is further ordeined and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no person or persones, that heretofore hath been, or at any tyme hereafter shalbe, in due fourme of the lawes attainted or convicted of murder, or malice prepensed, or of poisoning of malice prepensed, or of breaking of any house by day or by night, any persone being then in y<sup>e</sup> same house where the same breaking heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbe committed, and heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbe, thereby put in feare or dreade, or of, or for rebbing of any person or persones, in the high way, or nere to the high waye, or for felonious stealyng of houses, geldynges, or mares, or of felonious taking of any goodes out of any parische church, or other Church or Chapell, or being indicted or appealed of any of the same offences, and thereupon found guilty by verdict of xii. men, or shall confesse the same, upon his or their arraignment, or will not answer directly according to the lawes of this realme, or shall stande wilfully, or of malice nute, shall not be admitted to haue or enioye the privilege or benefite of his clergie or Sanctuary, but shalbe put from the same: and that in all other cases of felonye, other then such as before mentioned, all and singular persone and persones, which after the first daye of Marche next comming, shalbe arraigned or founde guilty, upon his or their arraignment, or shall confesse the same, or stande mute, in foume aforesaid, or will not answer directly in foume abovesaid, shal haue and enioye the privilege and benefite, of his or their clergie, the libertie & privilege of Sanctuary, in the manner & fourme, as he or they myght or should haue doen, before the xxiii. day of April, in the first yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry the eight.

Shoulde also be enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all clauses, articles, and sentences, mentioned or specified in any acte or

actes of parliament, statute or statutes made in the time of the reign of the late king Henry the eighth touching or in any wise concerning the manner of challenge for the Countie, Hundred, or peremptory challenge, or any of them touching or in any wise concerning any matter of small or forain pleas pleaded by murderers, felons, or other offenders, shall, as concerning the said challenges and trials, remain in their force and strength not repealed, any thing in this act mentioned, founding or tending to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this act of parliament, or any thing therein mentioned as concerning the repeal of any statute or statutes made touching treason, or implication of treason, shall not in any wise give any manner of benefit, advantage, or commoditie, to any persone or persones, beyng the last day of October last past, arrested, or imprisoned for treason, petit treason, or implication of treason, or to any persone or persones heretofore beyng indicted of treason, petit treason, or implication of treason, or to any other persone or persones being likewise convicted, outlawed, or attainted of treason, petit treason, or implication of treason, or being fled beyonde the seas, or into Scotland, before the said last day of October last past, for any treason, petit treason, or implication of treason, but that they & every of them, shall suffer such penalties of death, losses and forfeitures of lands & goodes, as in cases of treason, as though this act had never been had or made: any thing in this act to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding: & that the lawes & statutes repealed by this act shall stand against the, & every of the, in full strength, virtue, force and effect, concerning all & every offence by the, or any of the, heretofore committed or doen.

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Provided also, and be it ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all wilfull killing, by poisoning of any persone or persones, that at any time hereafter shall be doen, perpetrated, or committed, shall be adjudged, taken, and deemed wilfull murders of malice prepensed: and that the offenders therein, their aidours, abettours, procurours, and confidours, shall suffer death, and forfeit in every behalfe, as in other cases of wilfull murder of malice prepensed.

And over that, be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that in all and every case and cases, where any of the kinges Schierles Subiectes shall and may upon his prayer, have the privilege of clergie, as a Clerke convicted, that may make purgacion in all those cases, and every of them, and also in all and every case and cases of felony, wherein the privilege and benefite of clergie is restrained, excepted, or take away by this statute, or acte (as shall murder, and poisoning of malice prepensed, one excepted) the lordes and lordes of the parliament, and pere and peres of the realme having place and voyce in parliament, shall by virtue of this present acte of common grace, upon his, or their request or prayer, alleging that he is a Layde, or pere of this realme, & claiming the benefite



of this act, though he cannot read, without any burning in the hand, losse of inheritance, or corruption of his blood, be adjudged, demed, take, and bled for his first tyme onely, to all intents, constructions, & purposes, as a clerke, curate, and shall in case of a clerke, which may make purgation without any further or other benefite or privilege of clergie, to any such Lord or Lords, from thenceforth at any tyme after, for any case to be allowed, adjudged, or admitted: anye lawe, statute, usage, custome, or any other thing to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

It is also ordained, that if any of the sayed Lordes of the Parliament, or any of the peeres of this realme for the tyme being shall fortune to be indicted, of any of the offences limited in this act: that then they and euery of them, shall haue hys or their trial by their peeres, as it hath been bled heretofore, in cases of high treason.

And be it further enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that if any persone or persones, that by this statute, or by any other statutes or lawes of this realme ought to haue, or be admitted, to the benefite of hys or their clergie: that the same persone and persones, shalbe from henceforth admitted and allowed, to hys or their clergie, although they, or any of the, haue been diuers and sundry tymes married, to anye single woman, or single women, or to any widowe, or widowes, or to two women, or mo: any law, statute, or usage, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And ouer that, it is ordeined and enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that albeit any persone, or persones, of what estate, condition, or degree, he or they be, shall hereafter fortune to be attainted, convicted, or outlawed of anye treason petit treason, misprision of treason, murder, or felonye whatsoeuer, yet that notwithstanding euery woman, that is, or shal fortune to be wife of the persone so attainted, convicted, or outlawed, shalbe endowable and enable to demaunde, haue, and enioye her dower, in like maner and forme, as though her husband had not been attainted, convicted, or outlawed: any statute, lawe, usage, or custome, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And to all and euery other persone and persones, bodies pollicke and corporate, their heires and successors, and to euery of them, other then to such offendour or offendours as shalbe attainted, convicted, or outlawed, all suche right, title, interest, entree, leases, posselsion, comoditie, and hereditamentes, as they or any of them had, or shoulde, or of right ought to haue, before, or at the tyme of the sayed attainder, conviction, or outlawage.

It is also ordained, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that one act made at the parliament holden at Westminster, upon diuers propositions, the xiiij. day of February, in the xxviij. yere of the sayed late kyng Henry the eight, and there continued and kept, until the xxviij. day of April then next ensuing, concerning and touching the felonious taking away by any person, the goodes or cattalles, of the maiesty or maiestie, and all Articles and Sentences contained in the same act, shall stande

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stande, be, and remaine in full strength force, and effecte, in such manner and forme as it had before the making of this present act, the repeal, or revocation of the acts abovesaid to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always and be it enacted by the authority abovesaid, that no person or persons shall in any wise be impeached, or put to answer for any of the offences abovesaid concerning treasons, by open preaching, or wordes openly, butt if the partie offending, or offenders be thereto accused within xxx. daies next after the same open preaching, or wordes spoken or declared, if offenders shall fortune to be taken within the same during the said space of xxx. daies next after the said offence committed or done. And if the accusers shall happen to be out of this realm during the said space of xxx. daies then the partie or parties so offending shall be accused as is aforesaid within five months next after the same preaching, or wordes spoken or declared, or els the partie or parties so offending their aldors, comforters, abettors, and counsaillors, or any of them not to be impeached, or put to answer for any such offence, or offences, & that the same accusation or accusations so to be had made, & declared, shall be made to one of the hienes counsaillors, or to one of the hienes Justices of Assise, or els to one of the hienes Justices of peace being of the Quorum, or to two Justices of the peace within the Shyre where the same offence or offences shall happen to be doen or committed any thing contained in this acte to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also and be it declared and enacted by the authority abovesaid that concealment, or keeping secreete anye high treason shall be from henceforth adjudged demerit and taken misprision of treason and the offenders therein shall forfeit and suffer, as in cases of misprision of treason, as heretofore hath been tried: anye thing above mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it declared and enacted by the authority abovesaid that this act or any thing therein contained, shall not extend to charge, or make any person or persons to be offender, or offenders, in any of the articles abovesaid, for calling naming, saying, saying, or printing the frenche kyng, for the tyme being, by the name of the kyng of France, or frenche kyng any thing above declared and enacted to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided always and be it enacted by the authority abovesaid, that no person or persons after the first daye of februarye next coming shall be indicted, arraigned, condemned, or convicted for any offence of treason petit treason misprision of treason, or for any misprision before specified to be spoken after the said first daye of februarye for which the same offenders, speakers, offenders, or speakers, shall in any wise suffer any penaltye of death, imprisonment, lorde, or loss of anye goods, chattelles, landes, or tenements butt if the same offenders, speakers, offenders, or speakers be accused by two sufficient and lawfull gentlemen,



nesses, as shall willingly without violence consent the same.

**C**An act for a Subsidie of tannage & poundage of merchandise, with a pprosse for the confirmation of the Privileges of the merchandises of the Seatiard, which pprosse shall indure but onely to the end of this Parliament.

**The. xiiij. Chapter.**

**I**n their most humble writt shewen unto your moste excellent Maiestie, your poore commons in this your present parliament assembled, that where as well your most dearest father of famous memory, King Henry the. viij. as also your most worthy grandfather King Henry the. viij. & other your noble progenitors Kinges of this your realme of Englande, tyme out of mynde, have had granted unto the, and enjoyed of the commons of the same realme, for the tyme being, by auctoritie of parliament, for the defence of the same nowre your realme, & the keeping and safeguarde of the seas, for the better course of merchandise, safely to come into the same your realme, & to passe out of the same, certain somes of money, named subsidies, of all maner of gooddes and merchandises, coming in, or going out of the same your realme: and forasmuch as we your said poore commons have perceived your Maiesties good favour and will towards us by your sayd poore commons, had shewel in the defence of us, and this your realme, against your rebels the Scottes, as also the keeping & sure defending of the seas, against all persons intending the disturbance and invasion of this your realme, & by your said commons to our great comfort & relieving, as cause requireth, and to your Maiesties great costes, charges, and expenses, and also not doubting the sequelle of the same if neede shall require: we therefore your said poore commons, as bounden of dutie, humbly desier your excellent Maiestie benignely and favourably to take, except, & receive these our poore grautes hereafter ensuing, as graunted of true hartes and good willes, which we beare to your highnes, towarde your said great costes, charges, and expenses, shewel heretofore expended and laied out, as hereafter by your Maiestie for the causes aforesaid, when neede shal require, to be expended & laied out, as the first fruites of our good willes and hartes towarde your highnes, although the same doe, or hereafter shall nothing in effect counterwaile your said costes, charges, & expenses, which we be not able fully to gratifie by any meanes. First, we your poore commons, by the advise and assent of the Lordes Spirituall and temporall, in this your present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, to thintent aforesaid, give and graunt to you our said Soueraigne lorde, one Subsidie called tannage, that is to say, of every tonne of wine returning, or that shall, or is come into this your realme, by way of merchandise, the summe of. iij. s. and so after the rate: and of every tonne of sweete wine, shewel malnessey or other that shall, or is come into the same your realme, by every or any merchant alien, shewel by the merchandises of

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 is come into this your realme, by way of merchandise, by every, or any  
 merchant denizen or alien, of what nation soever he be. xii. s. And al-  
 so one other subsidie called portage, that is to say, of all maner of goo-  
 des and merchandises, of every merchant denizen and alien whoso-  
 ever he be caried & to be caried, out of this your sayd realme, or brought  
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 xii. s. afore said. Except almones and forpaysd out of this graunt of sub-  
 sidie of poundage, all maner of wollen cloth made and wrought, or that  
 shalbe made and wrought within this realme of England, and by eve-  
 ry, or any merchant denizen and not borne alien caried or to be caried  
 out of this your said realme, and all maner of wolfe, wolfe felles, and hy-  
 des, and baches of Lether also caried, or to be caried out of this your re-  
 alme: and all wines, and all maner of frethe fishe and bestial, commynge,  
 or that is, or shal come into the same your realme.

And further, we your said poore commons by the advice, assent, and  
 authoritie afore sayd, give and graunt unto you our said Sovereigne  
 Lorde, for the causes above rehearsed, one other Subsidie of all maner  
 of wolfe, wolfe felles, & lether caried, or to be caried out of this your real-  
 me, in maner and forme following, that is to say, of every merchant de-  
 nizen, of & for every sheke of wool. xxxiii. s. iii. d. And of every. xl. wol-  
 felles. xxxiii. s. iii. d. And of and for every laste of hydes and baches, of  
 every sheke merchant denizen. iii. li. s. viii. d. And also of every mer-  
 chant stranger not borne your liege man, aswell those that be made  
 denizens, as hereafter shalbe made by letters patentes or other wise, as  
 all other merchant strangers, of and for every sheke of wool. iii. li. s.  
 viii. d. And of & for every. xl. wolfe felles. iii. li. s. viii. d. And also  
 of every last of hydes and baches. iii. li. s. viii. d. And so of all the said  
 wolles, wolfe felles, hydes & baches, and every of the, after the rate that  
 so is, or shalbe caried to have, take, enioye, and perceave the subsidie a-  
 fore said, and every of them, & every part or parcel of them to your high-  
 nes, for the first day of your most noble reigne, during your life natural.

And further, we your said poore commons most humble desire your  
 Maieste, that it may be enacted by your highnesse, by the advice & assent  
 of the Lordeys afore said, and by your said commons, and by the spe-  
 ciall autoritie of this present parliament assembled, that the giftes and  
 grauntis afore sayd, shalbe good and effectual, according to the true  
 meaning of the same. And that it may be further enacted by the autho-  
 rite afore said, that if any wares, goods, merchandises, wolles, wolfe-  
 felles,



felles, hides, and bakes of leather aforesaide, or other thinges aforesaid specified wherof the subsidies aforesaide, or any of them, is or shall bee hereafter due, shall at any time hereafter, during the time aforesaide, be shipped or put into any bote, craier, ship or vessell, to that intent to bee carped into the parties of beyond the sea, or els be brought from the parties of beyond the sea, into any port, haven, creeke, or other place of this your realme by way of marchandise and there laide on lande, the Subsidie aforesaide of the same (due or to be due by reason of this graunt) not paid, or the collectour of the same Subsidie not agreed with for the same according to the true meaning and intent of these aforesaide grauntis, and euery of them: that then from the first date of Marche next coming and not before, al the saided wines, goodes, merchandises, wolles, wol-felles, hides and bakes and other the premisses aforesaide, and euerye parte and parcell therof so shipped or els put into any bote, craier, or other vessell aforesaide, to that intent aforesaide, or brought into this realme and ther laide on lande, as is also aforesaid, shall remaine forfeite to your highnesse, during the time aforesaid: the one moitie thereof, or the value thereof to your highnesse, and the other moitie to him or them that shall scale the same or sue for the same. And that it may please your highnesse that all marchantes aswell Denisons as straungers, coming into this your realme, be well and honestly intreated and demeaned, as thei were in the time of your aforesaide noble progenitours without oppression to them to be done, paying the Subsidies abouesaide.

And further, that it be enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that if any goodes, merchandises, wolles, wol-felles or leather aforesaide, or anye part therof of any merchant Denison, naturally borne your liege man, which shall passe out of this your saide realme, after the saide first day of Marche, during the terme of this giftes and graunt, shall happen to be taken with enemies of pirates upon the sea, or perished by misfortune in any ship or shippes, that shall happen to be taken or perished within the time of the saide graunt, wherof the Subsidies aforesaide or anye of the to your highnesse due or to be due, is, or shall be in forme aforesaide duly paid or agreede for without fraude or collusion, and such loss or losses as bene before rehearsed, be founde and proved before the Treasorer of Englande, or the chiefe Baron of our Exchequer for the time beinge, by the examination of the same marchantes if they be on liue, or of their ex-ecutours or administratours, if they be dead, or those true credible persons whoe, or other reasonable witnesses profes sworne, witnessinge the same merchandises so to be lost or perished: that then the same mer-chauntes Denisons that were or shalbe owners of the aforesaide good- des, merchandises, wolles, wol-felles, hides, or other merchandises a-foresaide, as shalbe so perished or lost, if they be on liue, or theyre ex-ecutours and administratours, if they be dead, and euery of them, by force and vertue of this Act when them lieth, duringe the saide terme, shall

more ship adme the wolle, wolleselles, hodes or other merchandise in the same port or ports, in which the same wolle, wolleselles, hodes, or other goodes and merchandises aforesaide, is lost & perished, that it shall be shipped without any of the subsidies aforesaide now granted, to be had or paid therefore to you in any wise, and that all such persons of the premises shal be lost & perished, be certified unto your Chancery, by your said treasurer or chief Baron there to remaine of record, and after such certifiat made the Chancellour of England or the Lord keeper of your grante scale, for the time being, do make and deliver unto the said merchants, their executors or administrators or any of them, or to their attorney or to their attorneys in that behalf, or any of them, as many and such writtes and warranties to be directed as well to the collectors of the subsidies aforesaide, or any or every of them for the time being, as to the treasurer and barons of your exchequer for the time being, as shalbe requisite and needful for the said merchants, their executors or administrators or their attorney or attorneys or any of them, or the said collectors or any of them, to have for the obtaining, asswell of the shipping, as of allowance thereof. And further that every merchant deceased that shall ship hereafter any wolle, wolleselles, hodes, or any other goodes and merchandises in any carrie or galle, shall paye to your said lie during the time aforesaide, all manner of customes and all the subsidies aforesaide, as any alien dothe out of this your realme.

Item, It is enacted, that no acte, statute, or ordinance had, made or to be made in this present Parliament, be in any wise hurtfull or prejudiciall unto the merchants of the Hanse in Almaine, havinge the house in the cite of London, commonlie called Guylthalds Theutonicorum, nor to any franchises, liberties or privileges to them or their predecessors before this time had, agreed, granted or confirmed, nor to anye lathefull barges by them or by their predecessors before this time used, but that the said merchants and their successors have, holde and enjoye, all their sayde franchises, liberties, and free barges, accordinge to such granted, confirmacions and agrementes, as by the Kyng and his noble progenitors Kinges of Englande have bene agreed, made & granted and had to the said merchants or their predecessors, and according to their lathefull barges in every thing, by whatsoever other name or names, the same merchants, or any of them be called, or named, any acte, statute, or ordinance made or to be made in this present Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding. This present proviso to endure and continue unto the ende of this present Parliament.

#### The xiii. Chapter.

That the wherby certain Chanceries Colleges, free Chappelles and the possessions of the same, be given to Kinges & Queenes.



**T**he hīnges most louing father & lordes Spiritual  
 & Temporal & the comons in this present parliamente  
 assembled considering þat a great part of Supersticio &  
 Errores in Christian religion hath been brought into  
 þe mindes & estimacio of men by reason of þe ignorance  
 of their very true & perfect saluacio through þe death of  
 Ihesu Christ & by dealing & phantasizing bairn opinions  
 of purgatorie & masses satisfactorie to be done for them, whiche bee de-  
 ported: The whiche doctrine & bairn opinion by nothing more is main-  
 tained and upholden then by the abuse of Trentalles, Chauntries; and  
 other prouisions made for the continuance of the saide blindness and  
 ignorance. And further considering and vnderstanding that the altera-  
 tion, change, and amendeiment of the same and conuerting to good and  
 godlie vses, as in erecting Grammar Scholes to the education of youth  
 in vertue and godlyness, the further augmenting of the Universities,  
 and better prouision for the poore and needie, cannot in this presente  
 Parliamente be prouided and conuenientlye doen, nor cannot, ne oughte  
 to any other maner persone be committed, then to the hīnges highnesse,  
 whose Maiestie with and by the aduise of his highnes moste pudente  
 Counsaill, can and wil moste wisely and beneficially bothe for the honour  
 of God and the wale of his Maiesties Realme, order, alter, conuerse,  
 and dispose the same. And calling further to theire remembrance that  
 in the Parliament holden at Westminster the xxvi. yere of the reigne  
 of our late Soueraygne Lorde Kyng Henry the eyghte father to  
 our moste deare and natural Souerayne Lorde the King, that now is  
 it was ordeined, enacted and establisshed amongst other thinges, that al  
 and singular Colleges, free Chappelles, Chauntries, Hospitalls, Fra-  
 terneties, Brotherheddes, Guildes and other promotions, mencioned in  
 the saide former Act, had, or made to haue continuance in perpetuallie  
 for ever and then being, or that had, or oughte to bee contributoire or  
 chargeable to the payment of the first frutes and Tenthes, accordinge  
 to the lawes and statutes in that behalfe hadde; and made by what  
 name, surname, degree, or corporation, they, or any of them were founded  
 ordeined, establisshed, erected, named, called, or knowen: and all and sin-  
 guler the mansion houses, Mannours, Orchards, Gardens, landes, te-  
 nementes, pastures, woodes, waters, rentes, reuercions, seruices, com-  
 mons, tithes, pensions, portions, Churches, Chappelles, advousons, no-  
 minations, patronages, annuities, rightes, interestes, entrees, condicions,  
 lertres, courtes, liberties, privileges, franchises and other hereditamen-  
 tes what soever, then appertaining, or belonging, or that did appertaine,  
 or belong, or were assigned, or appointed to any suche Colledge, free cha-  
 pel, chauntie, hospital, fraternitie, brotherhed, guild, stipendiare, Prieste  
 or other the saide promotions, or to any of them, or accepted, knowen, or  
 taken as part, parcel, or member of them, or of any of them: & to the saide

Colleges, Chauntries free Chappelles, Hospitalls, Fraternities, Brothers, Guilds, Signiorie, Bishops, or other promotions, or to any of the lands or tenements which between the said day of February, in the first year of the said late King's reign, and the xxth day of December, the arrival of his grace's reign, by reason of any estate, condition, bargain, sale, possession, fine, recovery, lease, or other conveyance then of made, were or should be determined or relinquished by any of the said measures, or conveyances, mentioned in the said Act, or otherwise other then such of them, as then were in the possession of the said late King, or that were granted, or assured by his licent agreement, consent, or letters patents, to any person, or persons, who then had bene lawful, he obtained, or recovered by any person by any former right, or title, both out of the said court, or by the King's licence, and from whom both by one chapter of the same former Act, he obtained & derived and also be in the very actual and real possession, & then of the said late King, and of his heirs and successors for ever, in as large and ample manner, as the said Bishops, Wardens, Masters, Priests, Governors, Rulers, or other incumbents, or any of them, or the patrons, donors, or founders of any of them at any time before the said fourth day of February in the first year afore said, had occupied, or enjoyed, or then had occupied, or enjoyed the same, and as though all and singular the said Colleges, Chauntries, Hospitalls, free Chappelles, Fraternities, Brothers, Guilds, Signiorie, Bishops, or other the said promotions, and the said Bishops, Masters, Wardens, Priests, Governors, Rulers, or other the said incumbents, & other the premises whatsoever they be, & every of them, had bene in the said former Act, specially, particularly, & certainly rehearsed, named, & expressed by expresse words, names, surnames, corporations, titles, and faculties, and in their natural words and qualities: the said entries, expulsions, bargains, sales, fines, seofementes, recoveries, or other assurances, and conveyances whatsoever they were, had, or made (except before in the former Act excepted) to the contrary notwithstanding. And where also it was enacted and granted by the said late King, by the said former Act, that the same late King during his natural life, might make and direct his commissio and commissions under his great Seal, to enter into all and singular such and as many Chauntries, free Chappelles, Hospitalls, Colleges, and other the promotions mentioned in the said former Act, & into all & singular such Bishops, masters, houses, manors, lands, tenements, pastures, woods, waters, rents, revenues, services, possessions, and other hereditaments whatsoever, or into any parte, or parcel thereof in the name, feoffment and possession of all the hereditaments, annexed, united belonging, or appertaining to any Chauntry, Hospitall, free chapel, college, Fraternity, Brothers, Guild, or other the said promotions, or wherof any Bishop, Priests, Governors, Rulers, or other Incumbents, of them, or any of them, by what name surname, degree, title



fine or corporation they and every of them, or any of them have found-  
 ed, erected, ordeined, established, named, called, or known, they had or  
 enjoyed, or that hereafter should have, or enjoy, to the same churches,  
 hospitals, free chapelles, colleges, free commoners, brotherhoods, guilds,  
 or other the said promotions that then were chargeable to the pay-  
 ment of the first tenths and tenth parts, and all colleges that were charge-  
 able, or not chargeable to the said payment of the first tenths and tenth  
 parts, as by above said, or to any of them, as they are named, expressed,  
 appointed in the said commission or commissions, and to wife and take  
 the same churches, hospitals, colleges, free chapelles, fraternities,  
 brotherhoods, guilds, and other the said promotions, manors, lan-  
 des, tenements, and other the premises mentioned in the said com-  
 mission or commissions, and in every of them, and every parte, partell, and  
 member of the same into the kinges possession and handes to have and  
 to holde the same to the said late king, and to his heires and successeurs  
 for ever, as by the said former Act amongst other things more at large  
 appeareth. It is now ordeined and enacted by the king our Sovereigne  
 Lorde with the assent of the Lordes and commons in this present par-  
 liamente assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that all manors of  
 colleges, free chapelles, and churches, having being, or to be, within  
 five yeeres next before the first day of this presente Parliament,  
 which were not in actual and real possession of the said late king, nor  
 in the actual and real possession of the king our Sovereigne Lorde, that  
 now is nor ever was in the said former Act in force, about shales, other  
 then such as by the kinges commissions in force hereafter mentioned  
 shalbe altered, transferred, or changed, and all manors, landes, ten-  
 ements, tenes, robes, pensions, portions, and other hereditamentes,  
 and charges above mentioned belonging to them, or any of them: and  
 also all manors, landes, tenements, tenes, and other hereditamen-  
 tes, and charges above mentioned by any manner of assurance, conuei-  
 gnanee, will, devise, or otherwise, had, made, suffered, knowledged, or  
 declared given, assigned, limited, or appointed to the findinge of any  
 person, to have continuance for ever, and hereunto, or whereby any  
 person was sustained, maintained, or founde within five yeeres next be-  
 fore the first day of this present Parliament, which were not in the ac-  
 tual and real possession of the said late king, nor in the actual and real  
 possession of our Sovereigne Lorde the king that now is: and also, all an-  
 tual tenes, profits, and emolumentes at any time within five yeeres  
 next before the beginning of this present Parliament, employed, paid, or  
 bestowed to make, or for the maintenance, supportacion, or findinge of  
 any superiour, or the licensing by any Act, or writing to have con-  
 tinuance for ever, shall by the authoritie of this presente Parliament,  
 sometime after the feast of Easter next coming, be voided, & de-  
 voided, and also be in the very actual and real possession and seison of the

King our Sovereign Lord & his heirs and successors for ever, with  
out any office or other institution thereof to be had or made and in as  
large and ample manner and form as the Bishop of Bathons, masters  
Scholars, Bachelors, Clerics or other members of the same, or any  
of them at any time within five years next before the beginning of this  
present Parliament had enjoyed or enjoyed or were to have enjoyed or  
enjoyed the same, and as though all and singular the said Colleges, the  
Chapels, Churches, Bachelors, Scholars of Bachelors, and the said  
Bachelors, Scholars, Clerics, Bachelors, and other the per-  
sones what soever they be, several of them were in this present Act be-  
cially particularise and certifiably rehearsed, named and expressed by ex-  
press words, names, surname, or positions, titles and conditions, and  
in their nature, kind and quality.

And our that be it ordained and enacted by the authority of this pre-  
sent Parliament that where any Bachelors, Scholars, Clerics, Bachelors,  
Clerics, Bachelors, Bachelors, Bachelors, Bachelors or other Bachelors  
by any manner of assurance, contract, gift, lease, or other hold  
at any time heretofore had made, suffered, granted or bestowed, were  
given assigned or appointed to or for the maintenance, sustentation,  
or finding of one Priore, or of divers Priores, for term of certain years  
yet continuing, and that any priore both before mentioned, suffered or  
found with the same, or with his revenues, or profits thereof within  
five years last past, that the King from the said feast of Easter next com-  
ming, shall have and enjoy in every behalf for and during all such time  
to come, every such and like Bachelors, Clerics, Bachelors, Bachelors,  
profits and emoluments as the priore or priores ought or should  
have had, for or towards his or their maintenance, sustentation, or find-  
ing and for no longer, or further time, nor for any other profit, advantage  
or commodity thereof to be taken.

And it is ordained and enacted by the authority of this present parliament  
that when and as soon as the time assigned, for  
the maintenance, sustentation, or finding of the priore, or priores shall  
be expired and runne that then it shall be lawful to every person or per-  
sons to have any Bachelors, Scholars, Clerics, Bachelors, Bachelors, Bachelors,  
profits, rents, and other heretofore mentioned, or any of them should have be-  
longed or appertained if the said former Act and this Act had never  
been had or made, to enter into take, perceive, have and enjoy the same  
without any manner of lease, ouster, let, or other hindrance to be  
made to the King in like manner, form, and condition, to all intents,  
constructions, and purposes, as though the said former Act and this  
Act had never been had, or made and as though the King had never  
had any station or possession thereof. And thing in the said former Act,  
or in this Act, to the contrary in any behalf notwithstanding.

And be it ordained and enacted by the authority of this present par-  
liament,



tenement that the King our Sovereigne Lord his heires and successours from the said feast of Easter next comming shall have hold, perceive, & enjoy for ever all landes, tenementes, rentes, and other hereditamentes whiche by any manner of assurance, contract, bargain, will, devise, or otherwise at any time heretofore had made, suffered, granted, or bestowed were given, assigned, or appointed to use, or were employed to the finding, or maintenance of any Annueritie, or Obite, or other like thing, entente, or purpose, or of any light, or lampe, or any Church, or Chapel, to have continuance for ever, whiche have beene kept, or maintained within five yeeres next before the said first day of this present Parliament.

And also that whiche but parte of the issues, or revenues of anye Annuerities, landes, tenementes, rentes, or other hereditamentes hath by any of the titles, or means above said be given, assigned, or appointed to be bestowed, or employed to the finding, or maintenance of anye Annueritie, or Obite, or other like thing, entente, or purpose, or of any light, or lampe in any Church, or Chapel, and to have continuance for ever, that then our Sovereigne Lord the King shall from the said feast of Easter next comming for ever have, perceive, and enjoy every such summe of money, that in any one yeare within five yeeres next before the first day of this present Parliament hath been expended and bestowed about the finding, or maintenance of any such Annueritie, or Obite, or other like thing, entente, or purpose, or any light, or lampe, to him, his heires, and successours for ever, as a rent charge to bee paid yearly at the feastes of Sancte Michael the Archangell, and the Annunciation of our Lady Sancte Marie the Virgine, by even portions in the Kinges Courte of the Augmentacions, and revenues of his Crowne, or in any other Courte, or Courtes, as the King hereafter shall appointe. And that it shalbe lawfull to our said Sovereigne Lord the King, his heires, and successours for none payment of any such summe, or summes of money, to distress in the said Annuerities, landes, and tenementes of the issues and revenues wherof the said Annueritie, or Obite, or other like thing, or any such light, or lampe was founde, suffered, or maintained. And that for lacke of sufficient distress, in or bypon anye of the premises, wherof any of the said yearly rentes, or summes of money should be paid by the space of one moneth next after, that anye of the said rentes should be paid, and be not paid within the said moneth, that then it shalbe lawfull to, & for our Sovereigne Lord the King, his heires, and successours by vertue of this present Acte, to enter into, and to have, and possesse, as much of the landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes wherof the said rent, or rentes should be leied, or paid, as the rent, or rentes that shoulde be leied, or paid out of the same, dothe, or shall amount, or come to, in yearly value, and the said landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes to holde and kepe, and to have, our said Sovereigne

give. And the King his heirs and assigns for ever, or for such estate  
 as our Sovereigne Lord the King his heirs, or assigns, shall  
 see fit to have holden of the said crown, or crown lands.  
 And it is also enacted and enacted by the authority of this present  
 Parliament that our Sovereigne Lord the King shall from the said  
 feast of Michaelmas next ensuing have power and may of and singular  
 parts, portions, profits, commodities, and emoluments  
 which by virtue of any manner of charter, contract, or composition  
 or holden, or otherwise hereunto have been granted, assigned, let-  
 ted, or appointed to have continuance for ever, in the said one year  
 within five years next before the beginning of this present Parliament  
 have been paid, bestowed, or employed by any manner of corporations,  
 guilds, fraternities, companies, or fellowshipes of millers, or vicars  
 or any of them, by way of exchange, sale, or other the said  
 Dominions, or by the masters, wardens, governors, or other officers,  
 or ministers, or by the master, warden, governor, or other officers, or mi-  
 nisters of them, or any of them, in the said, or about the said, imple-  
 ment, or maintenance of any bridge, or dyke, or any similar thing,  
 or other some light or light, or other like thing, or in any other  
 the said Sovereigne Lord the King his heirs, and successors for  
 ever to be paid, or as a rent charge, at the feasts of Michaelmas, or  
 the Archangel, and the Annunciation of our Lady, by every portion, in  
 the Kings Court of Exchequer, and chambers of his crown, or  
 in any other Court, or Courts, or the King hereafter shall appoint.  
 And that it shall be lawful to our said Sovereigne Lord the King his  
 heirs, and successors for ever, to receive, or any such summe, or summe  
 of money, profits, commodities, or emoluments, or for more payment  
 of any of them, to have right in the said manors, lands, and tenements of  
 every such craft, corporations, guilds, fraternities, companies, or fel-  
 lowshippes of millers, or vicars, or any of them, by whom, or by the  
 masters, wardens, governors, or other officers, or ministers, or master  
 warden, governor, or minister, of the body, any such summe, or summe  
 of money, profits, commodities, or emoluments, have or hath been paid  
 bestowed, or employed: And that all and every of the said summes of mo-  
 ney, profits, commodities, and emoluments, shall from the feast of  
 Easter next coming, without any manner of inquisition, or office to be  
 had, or founde, be judged and deemed to be in the actual and real posses-  
 sion of our said Sovereigne Lord the King in like manner and forme, to  
 all intents, constructions, and purposes, as if the same had been particu-  
 larly and specially mentioned in this present Acte.

And furthermore be it enacted and enacted by the authority of this present  
 Parliament that the King our Sovereigne Lord, shall from the said feast of Ea-  
 ster next coming have and enjoy to him, his heirs, and successors  
 for ever, all fraternities, brotherhoods, and guildes, being holden in the  
 Realme



realme of England, and Wales, and other the Kinges dominions (and  
of Shannons, Landes, Tenementes, and other hereditamentes, belong-  
ing to them, or any of them other then such corporations, Guildes,  
Fraternities, companies, and felowshippes of miltaries, or craftes, and  
the Shannons, Landes, Tenementes, and other hereditamentes, pertei-  
ning to the said corporations, guildes, fraternities, companies, and fe-  
lowshippes of miltaries, or craftes above mentioned: and shall by vertue  
of this Acte be judged and demed in actual and real possession of our  
said Soueraine Lord the King his heires, and successours, from the  
laste feast of Easter next comming for ever, without any inquisition or  
offer thereof to be had or found.

And also be it ordered and enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that  
our said Soueraine Lord the King his heires and successours, at thys  
and thier will and pleasure may direct his and thier commissioners and  
commission under the greute Seale of Englande to suche persons, as  
it shal please him. And that the same commissioners, or twoe of them at  
the least, shall have full power and authoritie by vertue of this Acte, and  
of the said commission, as well to Suruey all and singular laye Cor-  
poracions, Guildes, Fraternities, companies, and felowshippes of  
Miltaries, or craftes Incorporated, and every of them, as all other the-  
same fraternities, brotherhoodes, and Guildes within the limites  
of thier Commission, to them directed: And all the Cudences, Com-  
positions, Bookes of accounts, and other writings of everye of  
them, to the intente thereby to knowe, what moneye, and other thinges  
was payed, or bestowed to the synnysse, or maintenance of anye  
Prioste, or Priestes, Minstres, or Obite, or other like thinge, or lighte,  
or Lampe, by them, or any of them: as also to inquire, searche, and trye  
by all such wayes and means, as to them shalbe thought meete and con-  
venient, what Shannons, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, and other  
hereditamentes, profittes, Commodities, Emolumentes, and other  
thinges be geven limited, or appointed to our said Soueraine Lord  
the King by this Acte within the limites of thier Commission: And al-  
so that the same Commissioners, or twoe of them at the least, by vertue  
of this Acte, and of the commission to them directed, shall have full po-  
wer and authoritie to assigne, and shall appointe in everye suche place  
where anye Gylde, Fraternity, the Prioste, or Incumbent of any Chan-  
celle in esse, the first daye of this present Parliament by the foundation  
ordynance, the first institution thereof should or ought to have kepte a  
Grammar Schole, or a preacher, and so hath doone: when the feast  
of Sancte Michael the Archangell last past, Landes, Tenementes,  
and other hereditamentes of everye suche Chantrie, Gylde, and  
Fraternity to remaine, and continue in Succession to a Schole Mas-  
ter, or preacher for ever, for and towarde the buyng of a Grammar  
Schole, or preachinge, and for suche Godly exercises, and purposes,  
and

and in such manner and forme, as the said Commissioners, or three of them at the least shall assigne, or appointe: And also to make and ordeine a Statute to have perpetuall force, in every Parlye Church the first day of this present Parlyment, being a college, free chappell, or chantry, or appropriated, annexed, or united to any college, free chappell, or chantry, that shall come to the Kings hands by virtue of this Act, and to endowe every such House sufficiently having respects to his cure and charge, the same endowment to be to every such House, and to his successors for ever, without any other licence; as granted of the King, the Bishopp, or other Officers of the Church: And also the said commissioners, or two of them at the least, shall have authority by force of this Act, to assigne in every great Towne, or place, where they shall thinke necessary to have more Priests then one, for the ministering of the Sacramentes, within the same Towne, or Parlye, Landes and tenementes belonging to any channerye, chappelle, or superiour Prielle being within the same Towne, or Parlye the first day of this present Parlyment, to be to such persons and persones, as the said commissioners, or three of them at the least, shall assigne, or appoint to continue in succession for ever, for, and towards the sufficient finding and maintenance of one, or more Priests within the same Towne, or Parlye, as by the said commissioners, or three of them shall bee thought necessary, or convenient: And also to make ordinances and rules concerning the service, life, and demeanour of every such Prielle and Scholarmaster, as is aforesaid, to be appointed, as also by what name, or names he and they shall from henceforth be named and called: And also that the said commissioners, or three of them at the least, shall have full power and authority by virtue of this Act, and of the said commission to them directed, to assigne asswell to every Dean, Minister, Warden, provost, and other Incumbent, and Minister of any of the said colleges, free chappelles, or chantries, beinge within the limites of their commission, whiche hereafter shall be dissolved, or determined by virtue of this Act, as to every Scholarmaster, Prielle, and other Prielle, what Salary the King shall be inclined unto by this Act, as to every felow and poore person, having yearly reliefe out of any of the said colleges, free chappelles, or chantries beinge within the limites of their commission, such severall yearly annuities, pensions, or other recompenses, during their severall lives, as to the same commissioners, or two of them shall bee thought meete and convenient: And over that the said commissioners, or three of them at the least, shall have full power and authority by virtue of this Act, and of the commission to them directed, to inquire, and trie by such lawes and means as they shall thinke meete and convenient, what monies, profits, and benefites any poore person, or persones by virtue of any collatage, augmentation, composition, hold benefice, or other title, benefice



had or made, intended or meant to have continuance for ever, had, or enjoyed, within five years next before the beginning of this present parliament out of any college, free chapel, or chantry, and other p<sup>r</sup>ovision made, given, limited, or appointed to the king by their acts, being within the limits of their commission. And thereupon to make assignements and orders in such manner and form as all and singular such said money, profits and commodities shall be paid to poor people for ever according to such said assignments, composition, will, devise, or other thing had or made, for the same, and to assigne and appoint, lands, tenements, or other hereditaments partell of the premises for the main tennance and continuance of the same for ever and also to appointe to fraternities, brotherhoods and guildes, lands tenements, and hereditaments partell of the premises towarde and for the maintenance of piers, wharves, bulwarks, or batteries against the rages of the sea, havens, and creekes. And that all and singular annuities, pensions, and other recompenses, shalbe halfe yearly paid to the persons, to whom the same ought to be paid by the kinges grace here for the time being, of his lands commonly called the suppressed lands or other his revenues, lying in the countie or cite where such college, free chapel, or chantry, or other the premises given, limited or appointed to the king, by this act the first day of this present parliament, here or remoured without any fee, or reward therefor to be paid. The first payment to begin at the feast of saint Michael the Archangel next coming. And that every such receiver, upon his receipte shal have full and due allowance of all such annuities, pensions, and other recompenses by him paid by vertue of any such assignement to be made, by the said commissi oners or two of them at the least.

And it is ordained and enacted by the authoritie of this present parliament that the said commissioners, and every of them, that shal take by p<sup>r</sup>ovision p<sup>r</sup>erogative of any of the said commissions, shalbe bounde as hee hath sworn before God to execute the commissi on to him or other directed beneficially towarde the deanes, masters, wardens, provosts, & other incumbents and ministers aforesaid, and towarde the poor people concerning the said assignements, and also towarde p<sup>r</sup> maintenance of piers, wharves, bulwarks, or batteries against the rages of the sea, havens and creekes. And that all manner of assignements & ordinances to be made by the said commissioners, or two of them at the least and certified under their seales, or the seales of two of the at the least into the kinges court, or the exchequer, or the seales of any of the courts, or to any other court, or courts, by the kinges maiesty to be made or assigned, shal by vertue of this act and of the said commissions, be as good and effectual in the law to all such constructions and purposes as though the same had bene assigned and ordained by authoritie of this present parliament by expresse and apt wordes, terms, and sentences.

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promoted shall not be one of the same number, unless promoted, gone to leave or other circumstances shall so manifestly shall at any time hereafter during his life be promoted by the King to any better, or other special promotion being of a better date, partly before the his said annuity or period, or other respective date of date then the said, petition or other respective that any such better number, whether, going, present, or other number from number that to be promoted shall have the same rank after his promotion has made a better determination.

And be it enacted and enacted by the authority of this present Parliament that the said commissioners, or three of them at the least, to whom any commission by virtue or means of this act, shall be directed and delivered shall be bounden upon the forfeiture every of them of a hundred pounds, to make certifiat under their seals, or the seals of two of them at the least into the said court of the augmentations, and revenues of the king's crown, or into any other court, as is above said, within one year next after the commission to them directed of all manors, lands, tenements, rents, tithes, possessions, pensions, benefices, and recompenses by the said commissioners or three of them, assigned or appointed to any of the said intents or purposes above mentioned.

And also be it ordained & enacted by authority of this present parliament that our Sovereign in those the King shall have and enjoy all such goodes, chattels, willeys, plate, ornaments, & other moveables, as were or be the common goodes of every such college, chauncelle, frechappell, or superiourie house, belonging or annexed to the furniture or service of their severall foundations, or abused of any of the said corporations, in the abuses aforesaid, the properties wherof have not altered nor changed before the vii. daye of December in 5. yere of our lord 1554. 25. 1561.

And it is also enacted & enacted by the authority of this present Par-  
liament, that all such debts and summes of money, as ought, or should  
without fraude or coun hereafter be paid of the money or goods of  
any of the said colleges, due or payable, by reason of any contract, specialtie  
or promise had or made before the same, shall day that such a summe  
shall be paid by the treasurer of the hienes court of chancery, or of any other  
of his court, or by the treasurer or receiver of any other court, to whiche  
any of the premises shalbe appointed of the hienes treasure, being in  
his or their handes, both as convenient shalbe, as the same may be paid  
without



Provided aliover, and be it ordeined and enacted, by the authoritie aforesaid, that this acte, or any article, clause, or matter contained in the same, shall not in any wise extende to any College, Hostel, or Halls, being within either of the Universities of Cambridge and Oxforde, nor to any Chauntries founded in any of the Colleges, Hostelles, or Halls, being in the same Universities, nor to the free chapel of Saint George the Martire, situate in the Castle of Winchester, nor to the Colledge, called Saint Mary College of Winchester, besides Winchester, of the foundation of Bishopp Wicheham, nor to the College of Eton, nor to the parish church, commonly called the Chapel in the Sea in Newton, within the Isle of Ely, in the countie of Cambridge, nor to any Chanours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, to them, or to any of them pertaining, or belonging, nor to any Chappel made or ordeined, for the ease of the people, dwelling distant from the parish church, or such like chappel, to be unto no more landes or tenementes, then the churchparke, or a litle house or clost, both belong or pertain, nor to any cathedrall church or Colledge, where a Bishoppes see is, within this realme of Englande, or in Wales, nor to the Chanours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes of any of them, other then to such Chantries, Obites, Lightes and Lampes, or any of them, as a tyme within five yerres next before the beginning of this present parliament, have been hadde, used, or maintained, within the said cathedrall churches, or within any of them, or the issues, revenues, or profits of any of the said cathedrall churches, to which Chantries, Obites, lightes and lampes, it is enacted by the authoritie aforesaid that this acte shall extende.

And it is ordeined and enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that our soveraigne lord the king, at any tyme, during his life, which GOD long preserve, maye at his will and pleasure alter and chaunge the name or names, of all and singular Chantries, and the Foundations of the same, being in any of the Colleges, Hostelles, or Halls, of any of the said Universities, according as to his godly wisdome shalbe thought mete and comenient.

Saving to all and every persone and persones, bodies politike and corporate, their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of every of them, other then the Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Generours, Rulers, Priests, Incumbentes, Fellows, and brethren of the said Colleges, Chantries, freechappels, and other the premises, grante limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, and the successours of the, and every of them, and other then such as bee, or pretende to bee, founders, patrones, or donors of the premises, or any of them, or of any part or parcell thereof, and the heires, successours and assignes of every, or any of them, and other then such as be, or were feoffees, recoveries, confesse, grantees, or devisees of any of the premises, to, or for any of the bese purposes, or entaynes aboue mentioned, or to the use of any of the

in the Colleges, free chappels, churches, or other the premises, given limited, or appointed by the king or to the crown to employ the revenues or profits thereof to the use of scholars, masters, ministers, or other the premises, or any of them: and other such like persons and persons and bodies politic and corporate, their heirs, successors, and assigns, no claim or pretence to have their right title interest, full possession or possession of it, or to the premises, or any part or parcel thereof, by reason of any lease made, sale, bargain or sale, or by any other lawful means, or contract made to them made, or any estate of inheritance, without the said late king's licence, assent, consent, or agreement, and without the licence, assent, or agreement of the king's Council that now is, by any of the said Bishops, masters, ministers, monks, ministers, governors, rulers, prebends, or Incumbents, or by the founders, donors, or patrons of them, or of any of them, all such right title, claim, possession, interest, revenues, annuities, commodities, commons, offices, fees, leases, liberties, franchises, pensions, powers, duties, and other profits, which they, or any of them lawfully have, or of right ought to have, or might have had, in, or to any of the premises, or in, or to any part or parcel thereof, in such like manner, forme, and condition, to all intents, respects, continuations, and purposes, as if they had never been had nor made, and as though the said Churches, colleges, and other the said promotions, had still continued, and remained in their full being, and living to all and every Successor, Donor, founder, or governor of any such college, Church, free chapel, Scholastic prebend, and other the premises given limited, or appointed to the king by this act, and the Donor, Feoffee, and grant of the said lands, tenements, or hereditaments, to them or any of them, or to any heir, by purposes before mentioned, all such Rents, services, tithes, fees, revenues, charges, fees, annuities, profits, and offices, and also leases for terms of life, years, and years, hereupon the accustomed rate, or more, is retained as they, or any of them lawfully had, perceived, or enjoyed, in, out, or of any the said promotions, or out of any of the said lands, tenements, or hereditaments, before the first day of this present parliament.

And also that it is ordained and enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that all and every persons and persons being in life, which have or hath for any sum of money to him or the party, bargain, or sale, any Lands, tenements, or other hereditaments, or any part or parcel thereof, to the king our Sovereign Lord, to be sold by virtue of this Act, shall repare to such persons, as so bought any of the said Lands, tenements, or other hereditaments, or to his Executors or assigns, upon a request thereto made, or both in three Months, then next ensuing the same request, as much money as he or they received, for the sale of any thing, to by him or the said



And for more payment thereof such persons and persons as purchased, or bought the said lands tenements and other the premises, or any part thereof and their executors and administrators shalbe enabled by the authority of this present parliament, to sue and maintain an action of debt at the common lawes of this realme against such persons or persons, as so bargained or sold to him or them, or to their testament any of the premises belonging to any college, chauncerie, free chapel, or other person or personall in which action of debt, none effoigne, protection, or wager of lawe shalbe admitted or allowed.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and every of the said chaunceries, colleges, free chapels, and other the premises, given limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, and all the mansion houses, manours, landes, tenements, possessions, and hereditaments, and other the premises whatsoever they be, given limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, and every parte and partell of them, whiche by authority and vertue of this acte, been bestow, admynged and demed, or shalbe in the kinges maiesties possessio and handes, or to which the king shalbe entitled to, by vertue of this acte, shalbe in the order, suruay and gouernance of our oueryn lord the kinges courts of the Augmentacions and revenues of his crowne, as in suche other court as the king at any tyme hereafter shall assigne, name, or appointe, and so shall and may be graunted letters and writte to the same by the Chancellour, officers, and ministers of the same court, as of any other court so to be appointed, in suche maner and forme, as other manours, landes, tenements, appointed to the same court of Augmentacions, and revenues of his graces crowne, or other court so to be appointed, been to be graunted or letten. And that all the summes, issues, revenues, and profits, commynge & growing of the same premises, and of every parte thereof, shalbe taken and receyved to the kinges use, by the officers and ministers of the same court or courts, in such maner and forme, as is used and had of other manours, landes, and tenements, & of the issues, revenues, and profits of the same, committed to the order, rule, suruay and gouernance of the said court of the Augmentacions and revenues of the kinges crowne, or any other court so to be appointed, any act, statute, ordinance, custome, or hit, heretofore had made, or used, to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it is further enacted by authority aforesaid, that if any of the said Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Rectors, Gouernours, Priests, Inhabitantes, or others of any such college, chauncerie, free chappell, or of any the premises, given limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, or of any of them, shalbe the xxij. day of November, in the xxvij. yere of the reigne of the said late king, have made any lease, holden by, or their common seale, or otherwise, for tyme of years, life, or lives, of their said colleges, chaunceries, free chapels, or of other the same pre-

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Shall be allowed, and be & further collected and extracted by the aforesaid aforesaid that this act or any thing therein contained, shall not extend to any Honours, Titles, Reverencies, Possessions, or Beneficences, which the said Bishops, Bishops, Bishops, Chancellors, Chancery Masters, Justices, or other the said Governors, Officers, Ministers, or Rectors of the premises, or of any of them, hath, or is, or hereafter shall have, or be possessed to have of in fee simple, fee tail general or special, for term of life, term of years, or otherwise, to his or their own proper use, by inheritance, or purchase, and not being at any time broken or annexed to his or their said Colleges, Free Chappels, Churches, or other the premises aforesaid, limited, or appointed to the King by this act, nor shall extend to any Honours, Titles, Reverencies, Possessions, Offices, Annuities, and yearly pensions, or pensions, or to any yearly summe, or summe of money, being not limited, or parcel of any the said Colleges, and other the premises aforesaid, or of any of the heretofore said or granted by the said late King, or given or granted, or hereafter to be given or granted by the King our sovereign lord, to any of the said Bishops, Bishops, Bishops, Chancellors, Chancery Masters, Justices, or other the said Governors, Officers, Ministers, Chancery Masters, Justices, or other the said Rectors of the premises, or of any of them, for term of life, and under his great Seal of England, or under the Great Seal of the Court of the Exchequer, and revenues of the Kings crown, or any other of the Kings Treasuries, or any of his countries, any thing contained in this act, to the contrary in any law, statute, or custom.

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privileges given limited or appointed to the king by the gift or out-  
 of any donations, lands, tenements, or other possessions of them,  
 or any of them shall have and enjoy the same in the same manner and form,  
 as they should and ought to have had of the said colleges, chapters,  
 free chapelles, and other the premises, yea, houses, or manors to  
 the king by this act, but still, nevertheless, and notwithstanding, shall  
 being any thing at this act, provided to the contrary in any writ, or  
 other writing.

Should also writs be enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if  
 any such governor, ruler, minister, or other person, or persons, shall  
 then having any of the said houses, possessions, or manors, shall  
 or shall compound for the full frutes of any such spiritual possessions,  
 according to the laws and statutes of this Realme, and the taxes of  
 payments of any such frutes, that except before the first day of the par-  
 liament, that all frutes of money to be levied and payable thence the  
 first full day of that parliament shall cease, and be not paid, either of  
 demands, or debts, or annuities, heretofore, or other thing had or made  
 to the contrary notwithstanding.

Should also writs be enacted by the authority aforesaid, that  
 all such services, duties, fines, penalties, and other fines of money pay-  
 able out of, or for any of the premises, or any of the same houses, con-  
 cerning the same, shall continue, and be continually and yearly levied,  
 charged, or paid in the same manner in such money and form, as here-  
 tofore hath been used, and lawfully done, in such possession in the spi-  
 ritual houses, or other thing to the contrary notwithstanding: And as  
 though the said governor, or governors, houses, tenements, and other  
 the premises, shall not come to the houses, houses, or possessions.

And he it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and sin-  
 gular writs, patents, letters, by the said king, or by his  
 heirs, or assigns, or persons, or to any Archbishops, or Bishops, or any of  
 the said colleges, chapters, free chapelles, or other the premises, or  
 any part or parcel of them, or of any lands, tenements, or heredi-  
 tamentaries, belonging or appertaining, or that do belong, or appertaine  
 to them, or to any of them, and all laws, statutes, ordinances, freemen-  
 taries, and all other authorities and customs, touching the same, had or  
 made, by the assent, consent, or licence under the great Seale of Eng-  
 land, of the said king, or by the said king, or of the king's estate, or  
 any of them, or any person, or persons, bodies politic, or corporate,  
 or any of them, or any of the said houses, or manors, ruler, governor, or  
 other having any of the said possessions, or any of the said colleges,  
 chapters, free chapelles, or other the premises, or of any of them, or of  
 any part or parcel of them, or of the same, shall stand and be in force, for-  
 ever, and shall be good and effectual in the law, for such  
 purposes.

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any of the said Deaneries, Chauntries, or other of the like spiritual or Ecclesiastical promotions, or of all, or any of the manors, lands, tenements, tithes, rents, reversions, profits, pensions, annuities, or other hereditamentes, revenues, emolumentes, profits, or commodities, to any of the said benefices, offices, or benefices, promotions, or dignities belonging, apperteyning, united, or annexed, or to which any of the same Archbishops, Bishops, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasurers, Masters, Priories, Prebendaries, Vicars, Courtchours, Officers, or Ministers, Patroners, Foundours, or Donours, had, or enjoyed, or have, or enjoye, or ought to have or enjoye, in the right, or by reason, or means of any of the same promotions, offices, or dignities, shalbe good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intentes and purposes: Saving to all and every persone and persones, and bodies politique and corporate, their heires, successours, and assignes, and to the heires, successours, and assignes of every of them, other then the Archbishops, Bishops, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasurers, prebendaries, vicars, courtchours, wardens, provostes, gentours, and grauntours of any of the premises, & their heires, successours, and assignes, and other then such Ecclesiastical, or spiritual persones, bodies politique or corporate, as are, or pretende to bee foundours, donours, patroners, or vicars of the premises, or any of them; all such rights, titles, interestes, daimes, entrees, rents, reversions, remainders, fees, offices, annuities, lands, tenementes, hereditamentes, profits, commodities, and emolumentes, as they or any of them have or should, or ought to have had, or in, or to the premises next above mentioned, or any part thereof, as if this act had never been had, or made, any thing in this act, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

It is provided also, that this act, or any thing therein conteyned, shal not in any wise extende to make good or effectuell any gift, grant, bargain, sale, or alienation made by any person, or vicare of their personages, or vicarages, or of any part or partell thereof, or of any thing to them, or any of them belonging, or apperteyning.

It is provided also, that this act, or any thing therein conteyned, shal not in any wise extende, to hinder or prejudice George Brooke knight, lord Cobham, his heires, or assignes, for, or concerning the late college of Cobham, in the countie of Kent, or the Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or possessions thereof, any thing above mentioned to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding.

It is provided also, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that this present act, or any thing therein conteyned, shal in any wise extende, or be prejudiciall or hurtfull to the general incorporation of any cite, borough, or Towne, within this realme, or any other the kinges dominions, ne shal extende to any the Landes, or hereditamentes, of them, or any of them: Any thing herein conteyned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all such of the said colleges, free chappels, chauntries, and other the premises, as being appointed and given to the kinges highnesse, by the authority of this act, as be within the Duchie of Lancastre, and all manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, pertyning to, belonging to the same colleges, free chappels, and chauntries, shall after the said feast of East next comming, be within the suretye and order of the court of the Duchie of Lancastre, in such manner and forme, as other the premises bee assigned or appoynted by authority of this acte, to be in the suretye and order of the Court of the Augmentacions and revenue of the kinges exchequer, or other court by the king to be assigned: and that all commissions, that hereafter shall be awarded by vertue and force of this acte, concerning such colleges, free chappels, chauntries, and other the premises, as be within the said Duchie of Lancastre, shall be awarded under the great seale of England, & shall be certified into the same court of the Duchie of Lancastre: any thing to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that this act, ne any thing therein contained, shall extend to the College, or chauntie of Wyndesore in the countie of Northfolke, whiche the sayed late king Henry theight gave to Robert, late Earle of Suffex, & to his heires: but that Henry now Earle of Suffex, sonne and heire to the said late Earle, his heires and assignes, shall, & may, by authority of this acte, have and enjoy the sayed college, and chauntie, and all manours, landes, Tenementes, advowsons, tithes, psons, portions, and other hereditamentes therunto belonging or appertaining: any thing in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and by the authority aforesaid be it enacted, that the kinges Maistie, at any time, when it shall seeme to him good, may give authority to certain his graces commissioners, to alter the nature and condition of all manner of Colleges, as well within the Universities of Cambridge and Oxforde, as in any other place, within this his graces realme of England and Wales, being not suppressed, ne dissolved by vertue of this present acte, and the same Colleges so altered, to dispose to a better use, as to the reliefe of some poore men being students, or other use.

Provided also, and be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that it shall not be lesall to any persone or persones, bodies politique or corporate, by reason of any remainder, use, or condition, to enter into, claime, or challenge any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, for the none doing, not naming, or none finding of any such priest or parson, or poore scholars, as is aforesaid, under any manner, right or lawe, from henceforth to be founded or done: any thing hereunto contrary, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.



Provided alwaies, that this act, nor any thing therein contained, shall in any wise extend to any landes, tenementes, possessions, or hereditamentes whatsoever, that any master, Deane, Vicary, Rector, or chaurtie, or any Sypendary priest of any college, chaurtie, priory, fraternitie, guild, or any other corporations haue, or helde of any persone or persones, by cōprie of courte rolle, or at will, according to the custome of any manour or manours: nor geue or graunt any copyhold landes to the kinges highnesse.

And also provided, that the kinges highnesse, his heires, or successours, shall not in any wise haue, holde, enioy or take by vertue of this acte, or any article therein contained, any maner of copyhold landes, tenementes, possessions, or hereditamentes whatsoever they be: but that all and euerie of the said persones, and incumbentes shall haue, hold, and enioy the same, during theyr liues, towaordes their pention and yerely linking, paying the rentes, and dooing their customes and seruices thereof due and accustomed: any thing in this acte, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided, that this act shall not extend to any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes assigned, appoynted, or intended for the synding, or maintenance of any chaurtie priest, or sypendary priest, whiche by any former right and good title, without fraude or couynge, were lawfully recovered from the possession of any such chaurtie priest, or sypendary priest before the first day of October, the said xxvij. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry theight, whiche landes, tenementes, and hereditaments were not charged, nor chargeable to the payment of the perpetuall tenth: any thing in this acte, to the contrary herof notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be enacted by the authoritie aforesayd, that all and singular grauntis, licencis, confirmacions, and letters patentes, whiche our late soveraign lord king Henry theight, or our seueraign lord the king that now is, haue made under the great seale of Englands to any persone or persones, bodie or polittique or corporate, of any college, chappell, or chaurtie now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or not standing, or of any lordshippes, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, annexed, united, belonging, or apperteyning to any college, chappell, or chaurtie now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or not standing, or of any other thing or thinges mentioned, expressed, or contained in any such graunt, licence, confirmation, or letters patentes, shall from henceforth bee deemed, taken, expounded, and adjudged good and effectuell in the lawe, according to the wordes, sentences, meanings, ententes, forme, & effectes of the same grauntis, licencis, confirmacions, and letters patentes, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes as if this acte, and the sayed acte made in the sayed xxvij. yere of the said late king Henry theight, had neuer been had nor

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made. And that this act, or the said act made in the sayd. xxvij. yere of  
 þe reigne of our said late sovereign lord king Henry theight, or any clause,  
 article, sentence, or other thing therein contained, shall not extend to any  
 Colleges, Chappels, Chauntries, or other thing or thinges mentioned  
 in this acte, now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or  
 not standing, or to any manors, landes, tenementes, houses, or other thinges  
 or thinges mentioned in this acte, or any thing mentioned in this acte  
 now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or not standing,  
 or to any other thing or thinges mentioned or expressed in this acte:  
 but the sayd persons or persons bodies politique or corporate have had,  
 obtained by the assent, licence, confirmation, grant, or letters patentes  
 of the said late king, or of the kinges Successors that now is, nor shall  
 extend to any Manors, Landes, Tenementes, Houses, Possessi-  
 ons, Hereditamentes, or other thing or thinges mentioned, expressed, or  
 contained in any such licence, confirmation, grant, or letters patentes:  
 but that every such person and persons, bodies politique and corporate,  
 their heires and their heires and assignes, and the heires, successors, &  
 assignes of every of them, shall have, holde, and enjoy, all and every the  
 same colleges, chappels, Chauntries, Manors, landes, Tenementes,  
 Houses, Possessions, and Hereditamentes, and all and every other  
 thing and thinges to them or by them had or obtained by the assent,  
 licence, confirmation, grant, or letters patentes of the sayd late  
 king, or of the kinges Successors that now is, according to the  
 wordes, sentences, forme, effect, meaning, and intent  
 of the same licences, confirmacions, grauntes, and  
 Letters Patentes that are, or the sayd acte  
 made in the sayd. xxvij. yere of the reigne  
 of the sayd late king Henry theight,  
 against clause, article, sentence,  
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 the same actes to the con-  
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Fo. xxxvi.

## ¶ The 10. Chapter.

**H**e longest moste comell and wisest right well pety-  
uyng his loving subiectes by many and many times  
and meanes to haue bene a redressed the greue ab-  
surdities charges and burthenes of warres and defec-  
tes of this his realme as well in the tyme of hys moste  
late father King Henry the eight. as in hys tyme and  
righte continuing of his clemytie and pitie to gratify  
his said subiectes with his gracious free and libyall pardon accordyng  
to his herye power trusting allured that his said subiectes shoulde con-  
tinue his loving and assured obedient subiectes, and hereafter in suche  
that shoulde his highnesse laboure and laboure as to them, and euery of  
the of right appertyneth fully and redoubtly contented and pleased,  
that it bee enacted by authoritie of this present parliament, in matter and  
to come following, that is to say, that all and euery of his sayd subiectes,  
as well as personall as Temporall of this his realme of Englands, Wal-  
les, the Isles of Britayne and Cornwalles, Barroche, Calles, Gales,  
Hammes, Shylern and Bullionys, the marches of the same, the bet-  
ters, lordshippes, shireffdomes and administracions of them and euery of  
them and all and singular bodies in any maner of lawe corporate enties,  
Boroughes, Cities, Ribinges, Hundreds, Lathes, Rapentakes,  
Towns, Villages and Parishes, and euery of them, and the succe-  
ssours and successors of euery of them shoulde by the authoritie of thys  
present parliament, arrested, pardoned, released and discharged against  
the kinges highnesse his heires, heires, and executors, and euerye  
of them, of all maner of Tresons, Heresies, Felonies, Robberies, offe-  
nces, Contemptes, Trepasses, wronges, damages, misdemeanours, for-  
feitures, penalties and profits, summes of money, peines of death, pei-  
nes corporall and pecuniarie, and all other thinges, causes, queyrels, su-  
tra iudgements and excecutions, which may be or can be by hys high-  
nesse in anye lawe, or by any meane pardoned before, and vnto the xxiij.  
day of Decembre, in the yere of our Lorde God a. 99. CCCC. xlvij.  
Other then suche as hereafter in this acte bee excepted or forepysed, in  
such maner and forme, and vnto such tynes as they be excepted or for-  
pysed in this acte, and other then such as the clauses or prouisions hereaf-  
ter mentioned doth extende vnto. And also the kinges highnesse is fur-  
ther contented and pleased, that it bee enacted by the authoritie of thys  
present parliament, that this his said free pardone shoulde as good and  
effectuall in the lawe, to euery of his said subiectes, bodies corporate,  
and other before rehearsed, and to euery of them, by the said generall  
wordes





it be enacted by the authoritie of this present parliament, that bys said free pardone, by the generall wordes before rehearsed, shalbe reputed, demed, and aduoged, allowed, and take in all maner of courts, and els where, aswell in the wordes and clauses of exceptions and sequeles specified in this present Act, as in all and singular other clauses, wordes and sentences, mentioned and rehearsed in this bys sayed free pardone, most beneficially and available, to all and singular bys said subiectes, bodies corporate, and other before rehearsed, and to every of them, in al thinges ambiguous, or doubtful, and most strongly in Barre, and bys charge against his highnesse, his heires, successours, and executors, in every thing, without any obstacle, challenge, or other delay, whatsoener it shalbe, to be made, pleaded, objected, or alleged by þe king our Soueraign Lord, his heires, successours, or executors, or by bys, or any of thes generall attorney, or attorneys, or by any persone, or persons, for his highnes, or any of his heires, successours, or executors.

And furthermore, it is enacted by the king our Soueraign Lord, by authoritie of this present parliament, that if any officer or clerke, of any of his highnesse courtis commonly called the Kinges Bench, Chauncery, and Common place, or of his Exchequer, or any other officer or clerke of any other court within this realme, or in Wales, or other the Kinges dominions aboue mentioned, at any time after the twentie day of January next comming, to which shalbe in the yere of our Lorde God a. 28. CCCC. xlvj. make out, or write out any maner writtes, or other proccesse, or any extractes, summonis, or other preceptes, by hereby any of the said Subiectes, or any of the sayed bodies corporate, or other before rehearsed, or any of them, shalbe in any wise arrested, attached, distrained, somoned, or other wise beryd, inquieted, or grieved in his or their bodies, landes, tenementes, goodes, or cattalles, or in any of the, for, or because of any maner of thing pardoned, or byscharged, by vertue of this acte of free pardone, he so offending, and thereof lesully condemned, shall yelde and pay for the recompence thereof, to the partie so grieved or offended, treble damages, to be accompted as parcell of the damages and costes of the suite. And notwithstanding, all and singular such writtes, proccesse, extractes and preceptes so to be made, for, or upon any maner thing pardoned or discharged by this present acte of free pardone, shalbe utterly voyde and of none effect.

Excepted alwaies and forepysed out of this general and free pardon, all and all maner of bygh Treasons, petit Treason, and mysprision of Treason doen committed, or perpetrated in any of the parties beyond the sea, and all and all maner of Treason doen, or committed in any other place, by any persone or persons, by any overt deed, whereby any bodily hurt or harme shall come, or be doen to the Kinges or any persone, and all suites, punishmentes, executions, forfeitures and penalties, for, or by reason or occasion of any of the same Treasons, before excepted.

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And excepted and dispensed and voluntary murders, and also except all  
 fines of actions, of Quare impedit, all conveyances, and withholding  
 of the king's robes and robes lances and the profits of the same  
 as to any of the king's houses, or to any of his noble proge-  
 niturs, and not yet discharged, all wastes of the king's lands, of  
 fuel in parks, forests, chases, and elsewhere, and all burthens of im-  
 priy granted, or promised to be payed, by way, or means of benevolence  
 or contribution not payed and contented, and all and singular debts, or  
 other debts due to the king's highness, being already forswere  
 for the sake of the peace, good bearing, or for more advantage, at any  
 day, or place. And excepted and forswore out of this pardon, all man-  
 ner of accounts, and all actions, suits, and petitions for the same, and  
 all arrears of accounts and debts due for the same. And also, excep-  
 ted all homages, liveries, and reliefes, rentes, services, and arrears of  
 the same, not doon, or not payed. And also excepted all debts, which were  
 due to the king's highness, as to the said late king of famous memory  
 king Henry the eight, or to the late king Henry the sixth, or to any per-  
 son, or persones, to the use of the king our sovereign lord, or of his said  
 father, or king Henry the seventh, by any condemnation, recognisance,  
 obligation, or otherwise. And also excepted all and singular forfeitures  
 being due to our sovereign lord the king, or to the said late king, by any  
 penall statute, or statutes, which be converted into the nature of debt,  
 by judgement, or by agreement of the offender, and all forfeitures, and  
 other penalties and profits, growen, or due by reason of any offence, or  
 acte committed, or doon, contrary to any statute, or statutes, or contrary  
 to the common lawe, whereof any seizure is made, or any information  
 is given in the kinges Exchequer, or any suite there commenced, or note  
 depending, and not yet determined. Or whereof the king's highness, or  
 his said father, by bill assigned, or otherwise, have made any gift, or as-  
 signment, to any of the gentlemen of our sayd sovereign lord the king,  
 or of his sayd father, or to any other person, or persones.

Also except and forswore out of this free pardon, all and all manner  
 of forging, counterfeiting, trafficking, and clipping of whatsoever mo-  
 ney, or coine current in this realme, and the bringing into this realme  
 of any false, or counterfeit money, or coigne, made, forged, or counterfeit  
 out of this realme, and the bearing of any such false, or counterfeit mo-  
 ney, or coine, had, made, done, or perpetrated, within the xxviij. day of Ja-  
 nuary last past, and all and all manner of offences, petitions, punish-  
 ments, forfeitures, penalties of death, judgements, and execution for the same.  
 And also except and forswore out of this free pardon, all and singular  
 fines to be had, made, or payed, by reason, or means of any alienation,  
 had, or made of any manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditame-  
 ntes, with licence, within the said xxviij. day of January. Also except  
 and forswore out of this free pardon, all and all manner of manslaughter,

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Burgularies, robberies, of any persone or persones, in any house, or in any  
 any highway, and willful burning of houses, and willful burning of  
 houses, in which the houses any thing done, at the time of such burning,  
 and all manner of ransomings of any person against her will, all felo-  
 nious taking of any money or goods, out of any church or chapel, all  
 and all manner of felonious taking of any house, gelding, or mare, and all  
 manner of piracies and offences upon the Sea, had done, committed or  
 perpetrated, sithen the first day of August last past, and all manner of pu-  
 nishments, impositions, forfeitures, penes of death, Judgements,  
 and executions for the same. And except and forspelled out of this free par-  
 don, all and all manner of intrusions, had made, or doen, sithen the sayed  
 xxiij. day of January last past. And except and forspelled out of this free  
 pardone, all and all manner of decretes and offences, of all and singular  
 moyners, and other officers, ministers, and botheims, of, or in any of the  
 Shires within this realme, and all impositions and punishments for  
 the same. And except and forspelled out of this free pardone, all and all  
 manner of decaying of any meynage, cotage, or house, and the converting  
 of landes from tillage into pasture, contrary to any statute, heretofore  
 had or made. And except and forspelled the issues, revenues, and profits  
 of all and singular such meynages, cotages, houses, and landes, com-  
 ming, arising, or growing, sithen the sayed xxvij. day of January last  
 past. And except and forspelled out of this free pardone, all and singular  
 collectours, or collectors of any Subsidie, tithe, benevolence, or contri-  
 bution, and other persones whatsoever, that ought to be accomptant,  
 and the heires, executors, and administrators of euery of them, of, for,  
 and concerning all manner of debtes, accomptes, and arerages of ac-  
 colptes, and all manner of conceleiments, of customes and subsidies and  
 all manner of impositions, and fines for the same. And except and forspelled  
 out of this free pardone, all and singular persones and persones, being the  
 ij. day of December, in the yere of our Lord God. M. D. xlvij. prisoners  
 or prisoner, in the citie of London, and all and singular persons and per-  
 sons, which at any time, before the ij. day of December, did lie out of this  
 realme, into the parties beyond the sea, for any treason, or misprison of  
 treason. And except and forspelled out of this free pardone, all issues, fi-  
 nes, and amerciaments, assessed, taxed, set, extracted, or entred generally  
 or particularly, extending to the some of an. C. s. or above. And that all  
 and singular other fines, aswell fines prolicencia concordandi, as other,  
 and all other issues and amerciaments, aswell reall as other, whiche se-  
 uerally or particularly, extend not to the some of. C. s. whether they  
 be totted or not totted, taken to the charge of the Shirefe, or not take to  
 his charge, extracted, or not extracted, whether they be turned into debte  
 or not into debte, and not being leued, nor received by any Shiref, or Shire-  
 rife, bailie, ministers, or other officers, shalbe fully, clerely, and plainly  
 pardoned, discharged against the king our soueraine lord, his heires  
 and

and successors for ever, by this present act of free pardone.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayed, that in case it be objected to, or against any Sherif or Sherifes, or other accomptants in the kinges court of Chichester, or in any other his Courtes, that any Sherif or Sherifes, other then officers accomptant, have receyved or taken any such fines, issues, or amerciaments by this present act pardoned and acquitted, that then every such Sherif and Sherifes, and other accomptants shalbe discharged, released, pardoned, and acquitted therof, by his or their othe, without any further triall in that behalf.

It is provided alway, that this present act of free pardone, nor any thing therein contained, in any wise extend to discharge, remit or acquite any persone and persones, for anye such issues, fines, or amerciaments of one hundred shillings or under, as any Sherif heretofore have accompted, before the Barones of the kinges Chichester, or els where, & payed the same Issues, fines, and Amerciaments, upon his or their said accompter, determined to the kinges use, and both bys of their quicquid est for the same.

It is provided alway, and be it enacted by the authoritie of this present parliament, that all and every persone and persones, which have tenced or ought to sue livery out of the kinges handes, of any Honours, Landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, whosoever they bee, shall sue his or their luerie and lueries, out of the kinges handes, of his or their Honours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes: any article, acte or actes, thing or thinges, in this present acte of generall and free pardone, comprised and specified to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is provided alway, and be it enacted, by the authoritie aforesayed, that it shalbe lesfull to all and every clerke, and other officer of any of the kinges Courtes, to awarde and make writtes of Capias vilagatum, at the suite of the partie plaintiffe, to the extent to compell the defendaunt and defendantes, to make answer to the plaintiffe, at whose suite he was outlawed. And that every persone now being outlawed, shall sue a writ of Scire facias against the partie or parties at whose suite he was outlawed before, his pardone in that behalf shalbe allowed to him, that so he be outlawed.

God save the king.

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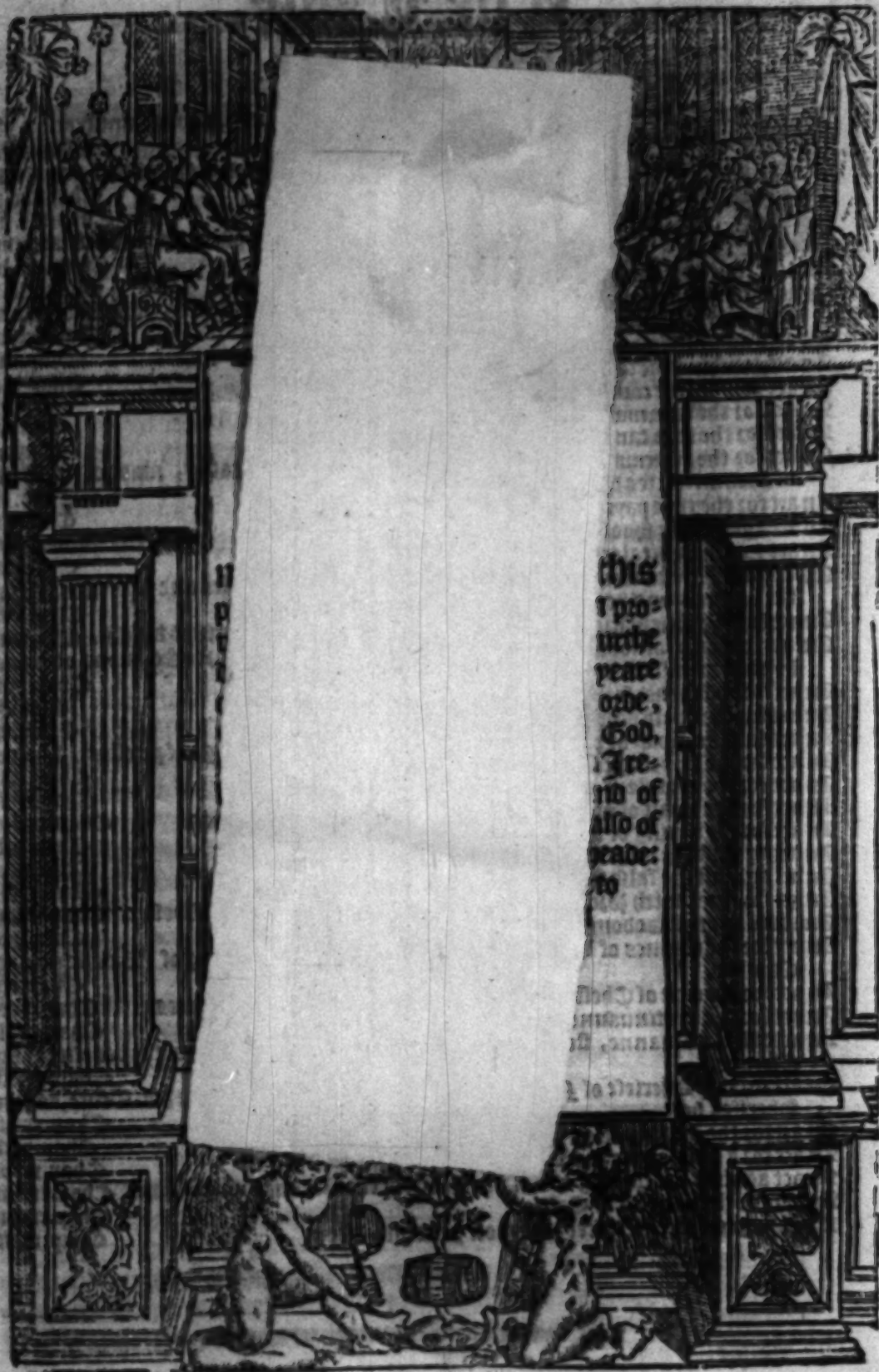
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